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Special Election

Myrtle Grinnell was elected conductress and Josephine Mathieson, associate conductress, at a special election at the regular meeting of the San Carlos Order of Eastern Star held in Laurel Hall.

Installation was held immediately with Worthy Matron Laura Prince as the installing officer, assisted by Dorothy Hilding as marshal.

A May Day theme was used in the decorations of the chapter hall and banquet room. May baskets of spring flowers were placed around the hall. The decorating committee was composed of Mmes. Frieda Parsons, Shirley McArthur, Bessie Poston, Dorothy Simon, Tom Milam and Frank Lake.

The Job's Daughters will exemplify their work at the next meeting of the chapter on May 8. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Suspend Term

The sentence of a Boulder Creek rancher, accused of not fighting a fire, was suspended Friday after he pleaded guilty to the wrong charge.

Justice of the Peace Edward I. McAuliffe said that Frank Dresti pleaded guilty to a charge of leaving unattended a fire kindled by him or attended by him.

Dresti was arrested last week by Asst. Fire Warden Ernest Werder, who said that a fire was blazing on Dresti's ranch while the latter sawed wood and paid no attention.

Judge McAuliffe said that upon asking for the facts in the case, he discovered that Dresti had not set the fire, nor had he attended it.

Rites Read

In a quiet ceremony on Saturday Lillian Charles became the bride of Sigmund Kupidlowski in the Redeemer Lutheran Church.

Lillian is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Charles of 342 Hudson St. Sigmund's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Kupidlowski, reside in Stonington, Conn.

The Rev. J. E. Marozik officiated at the ceremony which only the bride's family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Margaret, the bride's sister, attended.

The bridegroom's family are residents of Stonington and include three brothers, Peter, Alfred and John, and two sisters, Mrs. Alton Terrace and Mrs. Raymond Scribner.

Sigmund attended the University of Connecticut for three years before serving in the naval reserve for four years. He was a lieutenant and was a flight instructor and also a pilot on the Saratoga. He has been associated with the Bank of America in this city for the past year and a half.

Lillian attended school in Los Angeles and was employed as secretary with the Stockton Firebrick Co. in San Francisco for three years before serving for 20 months with the air force as a sergeant in the WAC.

The couple left for a week's wedding trip to Yosemite and will return to this city where they will make their home.

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Joyce Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nelson of Warren St., became the bride of Edward Monroe Goodfred, whose parents live in Minneapolis, Minn., on Apr. 20 in Community Church. The Rev. Ralph A. Benson officiated.

The bride's attendants were Miss Margaret Swanson of San Francisco, who served as maid of honor, and Mrs. Jess Jessen of San Carlos, who was the bridesmaid.

Pierre Waldun, recently of Minneapolis and now of this city, served as best man. David Katz of San Francisco was the usher.

Joyce's gown was an ivory nylon period dress with a row of tiny buttons in the back from the neck to the waist and a bustle back. Her Mary Queen of Scots cap was of ivory nylon, trimmed with seed pearls. She carried a bouquet of white bouvardia which surrounded a white orchid.

The maid of honor wore a chartreuse gown and carried lavender sweet peas. The bridesmaid wore a blue-green gown and carried pink sweet peas. Both of the gowns were nylon fabric in a torso style with puffed sleeves and a sweetheart neckline. They wore coronets of matching flowers in their hair.

The bride's mother wore a pink dressmaker suit with a cream-colored straw hat and wore a corsage of bouvardia and roses.

The reception was held at the Jessen home in San Carlos for about 50 persons. The young couple received the guests before the fireplace which was banked with calla lilies.

A buffet cloth of Irish linen trimmed with white lace graced the table which held the bride's cake surrounded by freesia and bits of freesia were placed in the silver candlesticks which held white candles.

Joyce and Edward left for a wedding trip to Santa Cruz and will return to San Francisco where they will make their home. Ed is an assistant manager of a theater there.

Carpenter Guilty

Chester Baker, 25-year-old Lomita Park carpenter, Friday started serving a 60-day county jail sentence as a result of his arrest by California Highway Patrol officers Apr. 12 after a wild 30-mile chase.

Baker was sentenced Thursday afternoon by Justice of the Peace John J. Fahey Jr. in South San Francisco.

Baker was arrested after patrolmen had chased his motorcycle through the north end of the county at speeds which at times reached 90 miles an hour.

250 Radios

By BARNEY GUGEL

Howard Hein of 1320 Belmont Ave., San Carlos, can listen to 250 radios either. Nearly all of them to. And they're not just ordinary radios at the same time. And they're not just ordinary radios either. Nearly all of them are old crystal and battery sets dating from 1902-1927.

Hein has been collecting radio receiving apparatus for a little over two years and claims to have the largest collection of its kind in the country. The collection, estimated by a General Electric official at being worth around $200,000, was acquired for the most part in junk shops, salvage dumps and attics, according to Hein.

Besides more than 30 crystal sets, 200 battery sets, and 20 all-electric sets, the collection includes 75 speakers, hundreds of tubes, and numerous other items including aerials and wave traps.

"Most people remember and talk about the old radio sets," Hein said, "but they couldn't find one if they wanted to. They're all gone—thrown away or destroyed."

Hein pointed out, as an example of the rarity of the old radio sets, that in the city of Cleveland he was only able to locate one battery set.

"All I could find in Rochester was an old amplifier," he said, "and in Spokane a three-tube Crosley."

At present, part of Hein's collection is being exhibited by NBC and station KPO in San Francisco and Oakland as part of KPO's 25th anniversary celebration. Among the sets on display are a 1902 De Forest and a 1906 Resonaphone, examples of the first commercially manufactured radios.

Nearly every one of Hein's radios is in working condition.

According to Hein, the first radios did not resemble present day equipment in the least. "The first radios in 1897 didn't even have crystals," he said, "they used a coherer, a tube of glass containing metal filings which were activated by an electric battery."

Among his hundreds of old tubes, Hein has examples of the original Welsh Peanut Tube made in 1923, the sodium tube of 1924 and De Forest's first commercial tube of 1908.

Hein's collection also includes coils of various types and descriptions. There are doughnut coils, spider-web coils, binocular coils, and coils which look like baseballs, clover leaves and coffins.

The radio sets in the collection vary in size from four or five feet long to one set two inches high. The speakers vary from three inches to nearly six feet in diameter.

Hein said that he started collecting receiving apparatus because the old examples are disappearing and in a few years will have completely disappeared. "Twenty years from now, people will want to see what the old radios looked like," Hein said, "and there won't be any examples left."

While collecting his radio equipment, Hein has also acquired other old relics. Among them are a Kinetoscope, 1903, a 65-year-old teletype, and a gramaphone dated 1897.

"But that's nothing," Hein commented, "I've also picked up a collection of 400 pen points and an oriental mechanical automatic fly trap."

Heads SC Matrons

Mrs. William L. Cooley was re-elected president of the San Carlos Junior Matrons when they met for luncheon recently at Cherington Hall.

Officers serving with her will be Mrs. Earl Cantor, vice president; Mrs. L. W. Boland, secretary, and Mrs. Lucas Brenning, treasurer. Mrs. C. L. Smalley was chairman of the nominating committee.

For the meeting the luncheon tables were arranged with Maypoles and picture book dolls. Cecil Breuner roses were used on the tables and a flower bouquet was placed on the piano.

The luncheon hostesses wore summer dresses and a wreath of flowers in their hair. Mrs. Lucille Monette was chairman. New members introduced included Mmes. Donald Meeler, O. B. Nordhagen, E. A. Mathes, M. B. Campbell, George Lampman, John D. Potter and M. S. Creager.

Top Speller

Donna Lindberg, sixth grade John Gill School student, Friday morning won a Redwood City Elementary Schools citywide spelling bee held at McKinley School. The winning word was "sense."

After eliminating the runner-up, Joanna Brooks of the Garfield School, Donna spelled until she finally tripped up on the word "oxygen."

Third place went to Dorothy Lum of Central School.

Each of the 12 contestants was a winner of a spelling bee in his own school and all were sixth graders except Patsy Wilson from the Garfield School's fifth grade.

Other contestants included:

Susan Bauer, Lincoln School; Elaine Ducca, Washington; Judy Fogarty, McKinley; Carol Friegang, John Gill; Robert Heiman, Lincoln; John Marozik, McKinley; Mary Regalado, Central; and Bobby Siote, Washington.

W. Earl Whitaker was moderator for the spelling bee and Andrew Spinas, superintendent of schools, and Mrs. Anna-Jean Sheets were judges.

Before the spelling bee started, a group of numbers was played by the McKinley School archestra under the direction of Ronald Spink.

Spring Concert

BY NORMAN VAN PATTEN

One of the most amazing things about last Friday night's spring concert by the Sequoia High School musical organizations was that the orchestra, built up from nothing in less than a year, could give such a surprisingly well-organized performance of part of the Schubert Unfinished Symphony. One must expect in a new high school orchestra a certain amount of thinness in the violin section and dissonance in the brasses, but certain parts of the orchestra, notably the 'cellos and the contrabasses, played their parts with amazing sonority. The two 'cellists, Grace Childs and Patricia Harris, deserve special notice for their part in the Schubert. The audience apparently would have enjoyed hearing the last movement of the Schubert. One appreciates, however, the necessity of including such works as the Tschaikowsky concerto theme and "In a Chinese Temple Garden" for a balanced program.

Probably the most popular part of the program with the audience was a set of two violin solos by John Nastari. He played Kreisler's "Liebesfreud" and Sarasate's "Zigeunerweisen," and especially showed beautifully his mature techinque in the latter work. John is planning to become a concert violinist, and he seems to show great promise of being a good one.

Mr. Otis Carrington's chorus presented a nice middle section to the concert. The most interesting of their pieces were Malot's "Lord's Prayer" and a Fred Waring arrangement of a Negro spiritual, "Dry Bones." Mr. Carrington's direction of the chorus and the superb accompaniment of Mary Birmele made this unique piece a hit with the audience.

The band section was a good, lively opening for the concert and especially noteworthy among their selections were "My Buddy Polka," featuring a trumpet trio, and "There's Something About a Soldier," a medley of bugle calls. In the band there was an especially good clarinet section.

Some other rather well done things in the orchestra's part of the program were Strauss's "Pizzicato Polka" and a humoresque called "Donkey and the Driver." A good ending for the program was Strauss's "Tales from the Vienna Woods."

In years to came, judging by last Friday's concert, the community may well look forward to much fine orchestral music under the able leadership of Mr. Clarence Wigell. If Mr. Wigell can prepare such a fine organization under the extreme dificulty of trying to make music popular once again after it had died out at Sequoia, there is no telling what a high quality of music will come out of Sequoia in future years.

Mills Hearing

Superior Judge James Atteridge Saturday decided to call each member of the Burlingame City Council to testify whether the deletion of a request for preferential treatment by the Mills Estate was an afterthought.

The action came during another hearing in the tangled jurisdiction of the Mills Estate, which has been annexed by Burlingame and incorporated by Millbrae.

Burlingame had annexed a 100-foot "Chinese Wall" around the 600 acres of the Mills Estate, ostensibly to prevent Millbrae residents from incorporating the estate within the new city of Millbrae.

In seeking the annexation of the 100-foot strip, comprising about 40 acres, to Burlingame, the Mills Estate had sought a $1 per acre tax.

The Burlingame attorneys contended during the litigation that the city council had not granted the preferential tax. Judge Atteridge said he wished to determine when the tax request was stricken from the petition.

Plan Concerts

National Music Week will be observed at the College of Notre Dame in Belmont on Wednesday, May 7, at 8 p.m. Three outstanding artists will share honors in the second spring concert of the series sponsored by the Notre Dame Music Assn.

Dr. Jan Popper, formerly conductor of the Prague Opera House and now a member of the faculty at Stanford University, will appear in recital with Beta Popper, mezzo-soprano. The program will include selections from Brahms, Schubert, Wagner and Hugo Wolfe, followed by a group of Czechoslovak folk songs.

La Mariquita, Spanish dancer who studied with the great Otero of Sevilla and later with Antonio Triana of Madrid, will assist in a group of Spanish and Gypsy dances.

Named to Group

Mrs. Jack Charnow, of San Mateo, has been appointed vice chairman of the Peninsula area committee of the Jewish Welfare Fund, it has been announced by Manuel Schwartz, San Mateo County chairman.

The welfare fund campaign this year seeks a goal of $2,150,000 for the relief, reconstruction and rehabilitation of the 1,500,000 remnant of European Jewry, who miraculously emerged alive from the Nazi cauldron of hate and death.

The Peninsula is combined with San Francisco and Marin County in this great humanitarian effort, which officially gets under way on Monday, May 5. Schwartz has appointed team captains and teams in practically every Peninsula community who will appeal for funds for this noble cause.

Honor Roll

Sixty-one eighth graders and 50 seventh graders have been placed on the McKinley School honor roll for the report card period ending Apr. 18, according to Supt. Andrew Spinas of the Redwood City Elementary Schools.

Honor roll eighth grade students include:

Beverly De Giovanni, Dorothy Gwyn, Duane Sargent, Patricia Milloy, Anne Davis, Newton Hodgson, and Joan Batterfield.

Phyllis Carlson, Joan Clark, Audrey Coombs, Patricia Kelly, Eleanor Pastorino, Juanita Paulino, and Phyllis Paston.

Jacqueline Preston, Dolores Tomalino, Erlene Wulf, Deborah Flemings, Yoki Yaeko, Armand De Leito and John Leshara.

William Briggs, Carol Fanos, Josephine Navarro, Jimmy Cliff, Shiela Feusier, Phyllis Lang and Sonja Norberg.

Barbara Sellers, Beverly Norlin, Arlene Gentry, Eleanor Anderson, Heather McClean, Joanne Van Otterendorp and Tom Blom.

Peter Bulkeley, Alfred Robertson, Stanley Mathison, Louise Gray, Bernice McClure, Theresa Roa and Dawn Turner.

Anna Cocco, Karma Holes, Carol Mae Benson, Kay Bowen, Dionne Darius, Charlotte De Bow, Loretta Duncan and Lorraine Frisby.

Elaine Gregg, Patsy Henderson, Sandra Hill, Louise Martin, Carol Mixter and Joan Roberts.

Patty Rothe, Gail Teboe, Robert Gilman, Martin Halfhill and Jim Heardon.

Seventh grade students placed on the honor roll include:

Ruth Braden, Virginia Mangiapelo, Shirley Ortega, Betty Powell, Lynn Buhler, Barbara Callet and Jean Calvin.

Elinor Cruze, Ruth Cohr, Nancy Kimball, Patsy Padgett, Ralph Baender, Thomas Moore and Albert Braun.

Lee Megginson, Helen Folsom, Rosemary Kennemer, Sharon Lind, Barbara Minor, Roberta Nelson, Carol Powell and Sandra Ratliff.

Carol Solomon, Joan Valladao, Sandra White, Anita Wilson, Meredith Woods, Judy Younger and Sandra Leboe.

Diane Weaver, Danny Wong, Lucille Chan, Agnes Davison, Diane Gillespie, Barbara Jacoby and Marilyn Lawless.

Joan Verborg, Carol Werner, Astride Willsrud, Eunice Brooks, Marjorie Denry, Marie Bozzato and Sheila Carmichael.

June Armstrong, Joan Capelond, Francis Driscoll, Erika Herchnitz, Sally Scales, Gerald Crumley and Tom Rimerman.

Forum Letter

To the Editor:

The advertisement which was inserted in the "Tribune" on April 18th by the Communist Party of California, is one which should cause the editor of the paper no uneasy moments (although I do also heartily approve of the follow-up editorial).

The above-mentioned advertisement is in reality a "classic" . . . a perfect summation of all the things which make the Communists what they are . . . the confused logic, the attempt to appeal to fear; the "waving" of the Bill of Rights, the mention of Henry Wallace, etc., and especially the deliberate distortion of the truth.

No one could possibly miss the ambiguous "they" chasing a more ambiguous "you" across the page. . . . I cut the ad out of the paper for future reference . . . principally because of the last paragraph. The writer of the ad was so carried away with his own eloquence and enthusiasm he became careless. "Demand the defeat of all bills which would outlaw the Communist party and all other anti-labor bills," said he.

There it is in black and white in the Redwood City Tribune for April 18, 1947, for all to read. This type of publicity does the Communists more harm than good and I am in favor of a lot more of it (and I trust it is expensive).

Very truly yours,
Mercedes Pearce.

Redwood Tree Fund

A bequest of $50,000 has been made in the will of Stewart Edward White, well-known Hillsborough writer, to the Save the Redwoods League, according to a petition filed Friday in superior court.

The $50,000 is contingent on whether the estate consists of more than $400,000 after specific bequests are paid. Previous reports estimated Mr. White's estate to approximate $900,000.

The petition filed Friday was for the distribution of small bequests totaling about $15,000 to heirs named in the will. The petition was filed by the Wells Fargo Bank and Union Trust Co., executor of the will, and will be heard on May 5 by Superior Judge Aylett R. Cotton.

Under the terms of will, Millicent F. Belknap is to get one-third of the residue, after the specific bequests are made, and Harwood White is to get the remaining two-thirds.

Mr. White died Sept. 18 last year.

Central PTA

Alfred Morton, director of recreation of this city, explained in detail the proposed 20-year plan for parks and playgrounds for Redwood City, at the regular monthly meeting of Central Parent Teacher Assn. on Wednesday.

Mrs. Shepherd, music director, presented the Central glee club in several numbers.

Mrs. Chell was selected as chairman of the membership committee.

Hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. Hales and Mrs. Fazio.

Boy Scout News

Knot tying, firemaking, tent pitching, signalling and water boiling contests marked the activities of the more than 750 of the County's Boy Scouts who participated in the annual Camp-O-Retts held this weekend at the San Bruno City Park, Oak Grove Park in San Mateo and Flood Park, Atherton, under the overall supervision of John F. Linden, chairman of the Scout Council camping and activities committee.

Highlight of the festivities was the presentation of ribbons in each of the camp sites to Troops winning first, second and third places in the contests, and to Troops and Patrols scoring highest in judging of camping efficiency, cleanliness, conduct and organization. Awards were made Sunday following church services held for all denominations.

Achievements of scouts during the past six months were recognized Saturday night when Courts of Honor were conducted for the presentation of scout rank promotions and merit badge certificates, at which time a record number of scouts came forward to receive their advancement honors.

In the southern district of the county, the following scouts were presented at the Court of Honor, conducted by Stanley E. Marcus, chairman of the southern division advancement committee:

Troop 103, E. Palo Alto — Charles Bustamente, second class scout; Thomas Callahan, second class scout; David Minor, second class scout.

Troop 104, Redwood City — Philip Spinella, first class scout; Edwin Carter, public health, personal health, metal work, firemanship, wood carving, merit badges.

Troop 105, Redwood City — Bill Weare, second class scout; Richard Lantz, gardening, reading, merit badges; Bill Seitz, automobiling, merit badge.

Troop 107, Menlo Park — Paul Melvin, second class scout; Tom Kerner, second class scout; Neil Dickinson, second class scout.

Troop 120, Redwood City — Edward Webster, star scout rank; Bob Eggleson, star scout rank; Ed Eggleson, star scout rank.

Troop 122, Redwood City — Fred Davis, first class scout rank.

Troop 140, Redwood City — Richard Bergland, first class scout; Peter Bulkeley, first class scout; Don Brockamp, first class scout; William Mintline, first class scout; Tom Thorabough, second class scout; Louis Geenen, second class scout; Warner Barrett, second class scout; Richard Bender, second class scout; Dick Langley, second class scout; Rollin Trouslot, bird study, swimming, firemanship, pioneering, pathfinding, camping, handicraft, merit badges.; Dalton Lewis, scoutmaster, cooking, pathfinding, camping, pioneering, merit badges: Seymour Abrahams, camping, lifesaving, cooking, merit badges; Mickey Kelleher, cooking, camping, merit badges.

Face Lifting

The San Carlos City Hall will get its face lifted this Fall if San Carlos voters approve a $90,000 bond issue for enlarging and remodeling the present city hall. The bond election has been set for June 10.

According to proposed plans for the remodeling, the present building, which was originally a school house before San Carlos purchased it 16 years ago, will be nearly doubled in size. Two new wings will be added in the rear, and the front is to be modernized.

At present, 19 city employes work daily in five rooms of the 40-year-old structure on Elm St. If remodeled, the city hall would have 14 rooms, including a five-room suite for the police department.

The San Carlos Police Dept. is quartered at present in two small rooms and an upstairs attic, used as a photographing and fingerprinting room.

In the proposed revamped city hall, the present police office would be turned into an office for the city treasurer.

The San Carlos library would be tripled in size, according to the plans, having separate juvenile and adult sections and a work room.

Other changes include a new office for the city clerk, a judges' chamber, a caucus room for the city council, an office for the mayor, and a car shelter in the rear of the building.

The present town hall in the center of the building is to be turned into a combination meeting room for the city council and city court. A permanent council table and jury box would be installed as would a public address system.

Opponents of the city hall bond issue have pointed out that the remodeling of the town hall would give the city one less meeting room, however.

The $90,000 bond issue for city hall improvements will be on the same ballot as proposals for a $190,000 recreation building, a $245,000 sewage disposal plant, and a proposal for civil service for city employes.

Leaves Estate

A petition to probate the will of Mrs. Annie Marie Lauman was filed in superior court here Tuesday by her husband, Trevor B. (Teddy) Lauman, Redwood City realtor, and former chamber of commerce president.

Mrs. Lauman died on Apr. 9 and left a will dated July 28, 1931, which leaves all of her estate to her husband, and names him executor. The estate is estimated at more than $10,000.

The Lauman home is at 136 Birch St.

Commuter News

By JOE CABOOSE
(Always Last on the Train)

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Nelson, Paul Allen, Carl Peter and several hundred other readers of this column (braggart!) have asked us why we didn't write something about the terrible mosquito menace this year in Redwood City. Frankly, they have needled us into inquiring "Just what is done with the tax money paid into the so-called 'mosquito abatement fund'?"

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We timidly suggested that the mosquitoes would be twice as large and four times as numerous without the abatement fund, but this explanation was rejected by the Nelsons, who drive us home from the station nearly every night. So we repeat, Mr. MacArthur, just what is done with that mosquito abatement money? Could it be that you're buying a spray that incubates rather than destroys?

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Whatever it is, it has weakened their morale and destroyed their courage. This year's mosquitoes are a bunch of cowards. Although twice as big, instead of coming at you one at a time, they come at you in droves, in formation like migrating geese. The only difference, their beaks are sharper . . . and they don't have as many feathers.

And they're out for blood! Any mosquito who drills a dry hole has to turn in his wings.

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Everyone who knows him was sorry Chester Armstrong felt it necessary to resign from the city council. It is not easy to replace a man of his character and ability. To his intimates, his resignation was no surprise. He has long been giving too much of himself to public service, and so must take a rest. Doctor's orders.

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M. L. Brockway reported his car stolen from the Commuters' parking lot . . . returned later undamaged. . . . A card from Lloyd Liebman, Virginia City, indicates he is homeward bound after a holiday into the motherlode country. . . . Best wishes to Dr. James Thornton in his new field of education. . . . Congratulations to Ferris Miles for his public spirited sponsorship of Colonel Morley's talk against Communism.

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Commuter Scout Master Floyd Hagen is in Mills Memorial hospital convalescing from critical injuries sustained when he fell from a painter's scaffold. . . . He will be sorely missed by his Troop 160 boys attending the Southern District camporette at Flood Park this weekend. . . . Approximately 300 scouts from the south end of the county were encamped there Saturday and Sunday. . . . Heading up Troop 122 was Commuter John Power, assisted by Fred Davis, Frank Delucchi and Milt Gooding.

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Overheard in the juvenile dept.: Young Johnny Mason asked his dad for a dollar. "I just gave you a dollar," said the good doctor, "what did you do with it?" "Spent it," smiled Johnny. "Why?" asked his dad. "Because Mommy says too much money makes people unhappy; so I spend it, fast!" . . . "Jimmy, why didn't you clean that bathtub as I told you?" "Mommy, it isn't my fault; it's Jo Jo," whined Jimmy. "Who's Jo Jo?" his mother wanted to know. "He's the little guy that sneaks up the drain pipe when you're not looking and paints that ring around the tub."

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Many happy returns to Jack Welch. He wouldn't tell us his age, but said it could be expressed in "two figures." "Same as my salary," he added. . . . Herb Shepard was lucky when no serious consequences followed an explosion in his home last week. Accumulation of gas in the furnace. . . . Frank Hull will host the house committee Thursday evening May 1 at his home on Grand St.

How about it, fellows? Let's give the S. P. and ourselves a break by buying our commutes today, tomorrow or Wednesday; instead of waiting till just before train time the morning of May 1.

Speakers' Bureau

Organized to carry out one of the chief functions of the American Cancer Society—to make the American public aware of the early signs and symptoms of cancer — the speakers' bureau of the San Mateo County branch of the society has scheduled 125 engagements for speakers throughout San Mateo County since Mar. 4, Mrs. Henry Bostwick Jr., assistant educational chairman, announced Monday.

Doctors and lay speakers, trained by Dr. Erma B. Macomber of Burlingame, chairman of the speakers' bureau, have addressed organization and group meetings from Daly City to East Palo Alto stressing the fact that one-third of the 184,000 cancer deaths a year in this country can be prevented if the patient seeks aid in time.

In addition to talks on cancer, there have been numerous showings of educational motion pictures, including several at county high schools, and 12,000 informative pamphlets on cancer have been distributed through the bureau.

The speakers' bureau will be a year-round project, Mrs. Bostwick said, with speakers and films, from 10 minutes to one-half hour in length, available at any time.

Besides a large group of doctors, speakers have included Mrs. Carl D. Benninghoven, Miss Ada Beveridge, Mrs. Hyman Kaplan, Mrs. Graeme K. MacDonald, Mrs. Malcolm Rosholt, Mrs. Raymond J. Reitzel, Mrs. Linden L. Stark, Mrs. Leonard E. Wood Jr., Mrs. John T. Bolton, Mrs. Gregory H. Davis and Mrs. A. Norton Benner.

Garden

BY ROLLY LANGLEY

I write for no Hawaiian papers, but did receive these two letters last week, which shows that word gets around:

"In a recent newspaper article published in the Honolulu Advertiser, it was noted that you had announced the introduction of the Pearl Harbor Tomato.

"Rear Adm. Louis Dreller, (Commander, Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard), who is an ardent gardener in his spare time, is very much interested in obtaining a package of Pearl Harbor Tomato seeds for planting in his garden here at Pearl Harbor. Whatever success Admiral Dreller has with these seeds the findings will be forwarded to you as soon as possible.

"Please accept my thanks for your splendid offer, and if there are any charges, they will be paid upon receipt of the seeds. Very truly yours, T. S. Husak, Lieut. (jg), USN, Aide."

And here's the second:

"I understand that you will send seeds of the newly developed Pearl Harbor Tomato to home gardeners. Please send me a package to plant in my garden at Aiealani Place, Aiea, Oahu, T.H., which is overlooking Pearl Harbor.

"I should appreciate receiving any other seeds you may have. This place is badly in need of more stateside vegetable gardens. Herbert E. Stone."

So if seeds should improve by sea voyages as they say certain beverages do, then those Pearl Harbor tomato seeds should certainly be in fine shape for planting by the time they get back to the Islands. They started from there, you know, in a manner of speaking.

J. H. Thomas of Walnut Creek reports his Mayer lemon has curly leaf. He's sprayed with Bordeaux mixture and fertilized it, but still the leaves are turning yellow and falling off. Chances are he's attacked by ants and aphids, which are controlled by nicotine sulphate with a tangle band around the trunk to keep the ants down.

Fertilizing trees and plants to keep them healthy is an excellent idea. More inquiries regarding ammonium sulphate are coming in this year, so a word of explanation is due.

Ammonium sulphate contains 20½ per cent nitrogen, or three times the amount of nitrogen most mixed commercial fertilizers carry. Now it's possible to burn nearly any flower or vegetable with this strong fertilizer unless it is handled wisely. It's always safer to apply it dissolved in water. A tablespoonful in a gallon of water may seem weak, but it's quite a shot for most plants at that.

Sulphate of ammonia can be used wherever nitrogen is needed, just providing you apply it in safe amounts.

Mrs. Mary Schroder likes to read about other people's gardens, which make her envious at times, "of the other chap's superiority." However, on the whole, she's "happy about the whole thing."

J. E. Cupples used redwood fiber around his 191 bean vines last year and had no trouble with aphids which had destroyed his crop the year before.

A graduate landscape architect has moved from Illinois to Concord. H. Russell Griffith, Rt. 3, Box 652.

A. J. Bongs grew Brilliant Rose larkspur to five feet, and found them blooming all Summer.

Mrs. John M. Healy, from Kentucky to Castro Valley, has run into a variety of fungi on fruits and ornamentals. They should be sprayed with a solution containing copper or sulphur.

She's worked up a "willow tree room" on the banks of the Castro Valley Creek and is going to terrace it. Speaking of Kentucky geraniums as being only a foot high, she's amazed by California strains growing head-high. And that's surprising, because I've seen some wonderful gardens in Kentucky. Come to think of it, I don't recall any big geraniums at that. But roses!

Thief Raids Drug Store

A burglar police believe was desperate to obtain dope Thursday broke into the Lawson Drug Store, 1360 Broadway, Burlingame, and took $100 worth of narcotics and radio phonographs valued at another $100.

Capt. John J. Hartnett said drugs were the main object of the burglary, every place where they might have been stored having been ransacked.

Marks of a pry-bar indicated the burglar tried the back and front door locks first. Then, in desperation, he broke the front door glass to gain entry.

Captain Hartnett said several clear fingerprints and one heel print were obtained. The entire prescription room, including the refrigerator, was ransacked and goods strewn about the floor.

Earlier Thursday, a daylight thief stole $17.36 from the cash drawer of a beauty parlor at 321 Primrose Ave. while attendants were busy in the back of the shop.

To Buy Land

San Francisco has decided to buy some more land in San Mateo County after all.

The supervisors there Monday reversed their decision made last week to purchase any more land in this county. They voted yesterday to appropriate $55,000 from water department land purchase funds to purchase a site for a water department filtration plant.

The plant, which is not expected to be built for several years, will filter all water from Crystal Springs before it goes into San Francisco.

1945—3-rm. American Homecrest house trailer. See at Bob Spillers' Service Station, Jefferson and El Camino, R.C.

COLLAPSIBLE leatherette baby buggy and pad, $22.50. Collapsible bassinet on stand, $10. Lady's white shoe roller skates, size 4, $8. 3203 Page St., Friendly Acres.

CATERPILLAR Model 22 with angle dozer, Essick roller, 4-ton Huber roller 10-ton Littleford road oiler, A.C. Motor Grader, Le Roi air compressor, 8 ton tilling trailer.
WELTNER MOTOR CO.
901 El Camino, Redwood City

WASHING machine for sale. 38 Dumbarton Ave., Redwood City

BATH tub, $20; met. scooter, $3.50; 35 mm. movie proj., $35; and man's overcoat (38), $10. All in A-1 cond. 504 8th Ave., off Middlefield Rd.

MALL 8 in. portable saw. See at 2217 Brittan Ave., or call San Carlos 2090-W.

DEXTER washing machine with pump. Excellent condition. $50. 765 Tamarack Ave., San Carlos. Phone RC 810-J.

2 SADDLES—1 Western. Make offer: Boys' bike excell. cond. 846 Blandford, ph. RC 3748-W.

WANTED Furn. home, 2 or 3 bedroom, family of 5; youngest 17 years. 351 Geary St., Room 202. S.F., SUtter 7800.

VET and wife both working need 2 or 3 room apt. URGENT. EM. 6-5862.

URGENT—Local couple, no children or pets. Excellent Ref. Need small 2 or 3 rm. apt. by May 15th. Please consider us. Ph. RC 4941 or 4956.

5 room upper flat completely furnished, lease required. $85 mo. 226 Oakdale Way, R.C.

6 pc. Monterey bedroom set, 262 Oakwood Blvd. East. Phone EM 6-6785.

5 pc. Monterey bedroom set, double bed, good condition. $60. 1219 Hudson St. Ph. RC 1996-J.

MOVING East, must sell household furniture. 3230 Fair Oaks Ave., Menlo Park.

ROUND natural mahogany dining table and 8 chairs. 1973 Whiteoak, San Carlos 2167.

FOR SALE
30 ROOMS FURNITURE
HOTEL RUDOLPH
873 Main St., Redwood City

PART time work desired by capable and dependable man. Eves. or Sat. and Sun. Any type of work considered. Box 362, Tribune.

COLLEGE student, 24, navy vet, desires part-time work all day Tues., Thurs. and/or any afts., eves. Affable. Can drive. Has car. Can sell. Ph. SC 1286-W.

BEAUTY OPERATOR, full or part time. Closed Mondays, salary and commission. Castle of Curls, San Carlos 1505.

WANTED to sell—garden tractor, sales and rental business. Good money maker. Apply Atherton Poultry, 2993 El Camino Real, Redwood City.

G.I.s ONLY—Just completed, 2-bedrm. homes, $9,200; full G.I. financing. Open for inspection Haven Ave. between Page and Bay Rd., R.C. Richard Delucchi & Co., 420 San Mateo Ave., San Bruno 974.

WILL BUILD to suit for highway business. See owner. 120 El Camino Real, Redwood City. Phone EM 6-6825.

NOT A better buy on Pen., west side, 1st class dist., 6 rm. home, well built, sun flooded patio, 28x14 with concrete foundation. Lot 50.6 x 204. Furn. or unfurn. A few fruit trees and grape vines. By owner. 2033 Jefferson.

New home at 8th Ave. & Page St. will be ready for occup. May 10. Liv. rm. 14x21, 2 gd. sz. bdrms. & knotty pine den or 3rd bdrm. Din. rm., kitchen & brkfst. rm. Priced for quick sale by owner. Ph. Burlingame 4-1358 or inquire 316 S North Delaware, S.M.

1941 Dodge Business Coupe
1937 Plymouth Deluxe 4 door sedan
1945 Cushman Scooter with side car
2 1933 Studebaker 40 passenger buses with steel bodies
1942 GMC 6x6 truck
1946 Reo 2 ton truck with body
New 1947 K3M Metro truck
New 1947 KV6 176" wheelbase truck
1937 Chevrolet truck tandem drive with van body
1931 Model A Ford
SWENSON SALES & SERVICE
858 Jefferson Ave.
Opposite Post Office

1938 CADILLAC sedan, good condition. 1818 El Camino, R.C.

B. B. Q. TABLE — and benches Attractive redwood, $20. 935 Walnut St., San Carlos.

'34 Chevrolet coach, 2 door sedan, $250. 834 10th Ave. or call RC 4512-J.

FORD Model A sport coupe, oversized tires. Good rubber, cheap dep. trans. Asking $200, no reas. offer refused. Must sell immed. 627 Flynn Ave., Redwood Vilge.

1941 CHEVROLET 4 door master de luxe sports sedan, radio, heater, seat covers. $1350. San Carlos 1843-W. 109 Sunnydale Ave., San Carlos, evenings.

SCHOOL girl will take care of children Saturdays and evenings. Transportation needed. Phone EM. 6-5845.

CARPETS and upholstered furniture cleaned in your own home. Ph. 4539. Drop card to Herr, 1139 King St., R.C.

LOST—Lady's white gold wrist watch. Phone RC 1857-J. Reward.

LOST—Black female Cocker, answering to name of Inky. Reward. Phone RC 1880-J or 333 Madrone.

LOST—Brown zipper binder between Loyola St. and Belmont. Reward. Please return to 106 Loyola.

LOST on 101 Highway near Redwood City bundle of clothing containing pair of man's pants, overcoat, sweater, lady's red knit dress, reward. Call Palo Alto 6136.

SMALL cafe. Must sell because of illness. 959 El Camino Real, Menlo Park.

DOUBLE horse trailer for sale. Price $80. C. Clausen, 2301 Cooley Ave., Palo Alto.

IVORY double bed, dresser, stand, lamp, spread, spring and matt. all in good cond. $35. 1416 5th Ave. Belmont.

BICYCLE, Schwinn, 24 inch wheel, $35. E. T. Carter, 715 Lincoln, R.C.

USED Doors various sizes, from $2 to $5. Used floor covering, mixed pattern, 421 7th Ave., Menlo Park, 5 to 7 p.m.

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Health Report

The construction of a tuberculosis sanatorium large enough to meet the needs of the county would cost twice the $250,000 the county is scheduling for that purpose, according to the Public Administration Service's report on the health and welfare department.

To meet the needs of the county's two largest institutions, Community Hospital and Canyon Sanatorium, the survey therefore recommended:

1. That the new tuberculosis facility be built adjacent to Community Hospital.

2. That the county revoke its lease of the Community Hospital annex to Mills Memorial Hospital.

The county's electorate last November approved a bond issue of $125,000 for the construction of a sanatorium, to be matched equally by state funds. The construction of a modern hospital type building with room for 100 patients would cost about a half million dollars, the report stated.

"This cost can be reduced by a considered utilization, rather than a duplication, of the facilities of Community Hospital, such as the laboratory, pharmacy, operating room, storeroom and utilities.

"This indicates that the new facity should be built on the county owned land adjacent to Community Hospital.

"This location has other advantages: additional medical personnel will be near at hand, the diagnostic chest clinic may be located at the sanatorium, and intake and medical social work services will be available."

Should a rapid cure be developed for tuberculosis, the report continued, the sanatorium could be converted into an addition to the hospital.

The county also has recaptured all of its capital expenditure for the purchase of Canyon Sanatorium and thus there should be no objection to disposing of the present plant entirely, the report added.

The survey, written in a very studied and conservative tone, came out strongly when speaking of the renting of the hospital annex to Mills Hospital.

"The practice of renting or leasing public properties to private management, so long as a public need for the property exists, is fraught with danger," it stated.

"In computing the rental price, consideration must be given . . . to the expenditures which the county government must make by virtue of not having the use of the property.

"In the case of the annex, the county's gross expenditures amount to $29,000 to $50,000 per year."

But the county is renting this for $100 a month, the report stated.

The survey cited that the $29,000 to $50,000 figure was obtained for the 30 chronically ill or convalescent patients who could be cared for in the annex. In addition, no provision is made in the contract for reimbursement of periodic maintenance services or for the continuing upkeep of the grounds.

Other recommendations for Community Hospital:

1. That the superintendent be put in charge of all units housed at the hospital, including some new under the public health division.

2. That a position of assistant superintendent be created.

3. The integration in the maintenance and engineering section of carpenters, gardeners and custodians who now function with little or no supervision.

4. Reorganization of the accounting section to include switchboard and information desk personnel.

5. Eliminating the policy of permitting county employes to buy pharmaceuticals at cost.

6. Installation of a system of cost accounting, and the use of accounts receivable ledger cards instead of the back of the patient's record card.

7. Centralization of all accounting, billing and follow-up systems in the accounting section in place of the present decentralized system.

8. Consolidation of the laboratories.

The detailed recommendations and criticisms for Canyon Sanatorium:

1. A system of rotating residentiaries with Community Hospital should be developed to reduce the present load of 70 patients to one physician to the state-required 50-1 ratio.

2. More registered nurses are needed.

3. The out-patient facilities at Canyon Sanatorium are inaccessible and could be remedied by building the new facility near Community Hospital.

4. No dental services exist at the sanatorium, as required by the state, and patients are transported to offices of private dentists in nearby cities. This endangers the curative processes and creates a health hazard in the community.

5. Canyon Sanatorium depends on Community Hospital for the surgical treatment necessary in the treatment of tuberculosis. The principle shortcoming is the nine-mile distance between the two institutions, making the transportation of patients a major undertaking.

6. Laboratory facilities are lacking, and again Community Hospital must be used.

7. Vocational rehabilitation is needed.

Named to Council

Gilbert Foster of the Redwood City Junior Chamber of Commerce has been chosen to serve on the newly formed Junior Chamber of Commerce Committee of the Bay Area Council. There are 12 members on the committee.

First dinner meeting of the committee will be held Monday night at the Officers Club on Treasure Island. The group is to work on projects for civil, industrial and recreational development in the Bay Area.

Garden

BY ROLLY LANGLEY

Don't forget that your lawn gets hungry, and the faster it grows, the more fertilizer you must supply, if it's to keep its vigor. A light application of plant food once a month is recommended instead of a heavy dosage every quarter.

For your current questions on roses, you'll find expert rosarians present at the Oakland Rose Study Club's show in Central Bank Building in Oakland, today (Apr. 24) and tomorrow.

Mrs. George W. Crapo Jr. has made a discovery: "I put off making a compost pit for several years. I thought it might be too much trouble to work, but I started one last Summer and they are no trouble at all, and the benefit one receives from one is worth a little effort. Now I am a firm believer in compost pits. . . . "

Do you have a favorite vegetable, flower and shrub? I guess you have, but do you know your own mind. So often I ask people what their hobby is. "Gardening," they reply promptly, brightly. And when I ask what their favorites are, I draw a blank.

And Mrs. Gordon Fletcher of Drake Drive in Oakland has made a discovery, too: "We moved our family to the Montclair hills to have more space to enjoy our hobby of gardening. We planted our fall vegetables in September, but the rabbits and birds took over.

"Now, I think, we have this problem solved . . . Our whole vegetable garden is enclosed with fish net.

"The wharf at Monterey has piles of them to cart away."

(I wouldn't drive to Monterey expressly to get fishnet, if I were you, without checking the day you want to go.)

J. E. Barnes wants to know what's making his seedlings "damp-off." This is the first trouble he's had with it, although he's been gardening a long time.

Damping-off (for benefit of beginners) is the name of the disease which causes young plants to rot, just about at ground level, and die. It's caused by several different fungi, and these are usually found only when the seedlings are growing under cover—glass, muslin, lath, etc.

Tomatoes, squash, cucumbers, and many flowers are often killed in the first to fourth weeks by damping-off. There are several ways of using formaldehyde, liquid and dust, to overcome this tendency to keel over early.

However, there are proprietary mercury compounds on the market which do the job well, and are less trouble.

I've never mentioned these materials by name in this column, because there's no sense in giving one good manufacturer more of a break than another. It's the policy of this paper for editorial material to be free of "plugs."

In the past, many greenthumbers have been confused because I have made this clear. They haven't known what to look for, and unfortunately, many of the clerks working in garden supply stores have been new.

Since the California Agricultural Extension Service mentions the materials in Circular 119, I shall quote Dr. Ralph E. Smith on them:

"A number of organic mercury preparations are on the market which have much value for seed and bulb treatment, soil disinfection, and control of damping-off. These are referred to in a number of places in this circular and are to be used according to directions given by manufacturers.

"Among the best known of these materials are those called Ceresan (ethyl mercuric chloride), New Improved Ceresan (ethyl mercuric phosphate), Semsean, several types (chorophenol mercury and other materials), and Merko."

Seeds should be treated with one of these compounds before planting, and if any signs of damping-off appear, the young plants should be sprayed with one of the compounds soon after they're up.

Every greenthumber should have one of these items on the supply shelf. . . . Just remember, you don't treat bean seeds, before planting.

Salary Boost

Salary of San Mateo County supervisors has been raised from $175 to $300 a month by a bill passed by the state assembly Saturday. The bill now goes to Governor Warren for his signature.

The measure was introduced in the senate by Sen. Harry L. Parkman of San Mateo County and was handled in the lower house by Assemblyman Richard McCollister.

Voters last year took the matter of voting a salary raise for the supervisors out of the hands of the county and placed it in the hands of the state legislature.

Salaries of other county officials here are fixed by county charter.

Supervisors to receive the raise are Chmn. Alvin S. Hatch of Half Moon Bay; Henry W. Edmonds, Redwood City; Martin A. Poss, San Mateo; E. R. McDonald, Burlingame, and Thomas L. Hickey, South San Francisco.

Explains Work

Miss Melba Miller, superintendent of the State School for Cerebral Palsied Children, west of Redwood City, explained the work of the school and the state program to 25 members of the 20-30 Service Club at a weekend meeting.

The 20-30 club provides parties and other entertainment for the 25 children at the school. Frank Stowe, chairman of the project, introduced Miss Miller.

Plans were made for the Queen's Ball to be held by the club at West Bay Motors on June 28. Jack Thomas and Al Pushkin are co-chairmen of the dance. Dude Martin, radio singer, and his group will provide music.

Tom Coats, president of the club, presided at the business session.

Forum Letter

To the Editor:

Not wishing to presume on the hospitality of the Commuter's column, I submit this Forum letter to register my disapproval both of your Communist Party "ad" and your editorial three days later which tried to justify it.

Because you "rather expected the roof to fall in," and "it didn't," does not mean that you and Sulzberger (NY Times) and other backward-leaning guardians of our free press have either the right answer to this problem or the majority of your readers on your side.

That's what makes America America—our capacity for patient long-suffering and abuse. We are slow to protest, and our burning reticence is too often mistaken for acquiescence. The "commies" are making this same mistake in judging the temper of the American people.

For what it's worth, we polled (objectively as possible) a large number of average citizens, commuters and others, and 65 per cent were dead set against publishing such advertisements and rejected your reasoning for doing so; 14 per cent recognized your "right of discretion," but felt your judgment was wrong; 11 per cent felt it was "all right" to run the ad, and the remaining 10 per cent were undecided or "didn't know."

The other day we were privileged to lunch with Ray Moley, editor of NEWS WEEK. We asked him point blank: "Would you run an advertisement of the Communist Party?" He shot back: "Hell, no! Not any more than I would run a fake patent medicine ad, or an ad demanding repeal of the Harrison Narcotics Act."

We think Mr. Moley hit the nail on the head. The Tribune wouldn't think of running a phoney get-rich-quick scheme, or a medical cure-all. The Tribune is so pure, in fact, it won't even accept ads for liquor, the traffic in which is a perfectly legitimate and recognized industry.

Yet this same newspaper seeks to justify on high ethical and moral grounds the advertising of a subversive political doctrine which openly advocates the overthrow and destruction of our government by force.

Free press, like Liberty—What sins have been committed in thy name! Isn't it time we quit our hysterical flag-waving about the great American free press and used a little common sense?

Are we smart in loaning our free press facilities to our sworn enemies whose avowed objective is the annihilation of a free press? Why are we obligated to do so, any more than we would be obligated to loan a personal enemy our loud speaker set so he could slander and denounce us publicly and advocate our destruction?

There is a law against inciting to riot. The Tribune wouldn't think of publishing something inflammatory advocating mob violence. Yet it is doing something infinitely worse, although not so immediate and direct, when it runs an ad for a group whose avowed purpose, publicly proclaimed, is the overthrow by force of our established institutions, including the sacred right of free speech.

Running such an ad is like giving an irresponsible child a loaded gun and hoping he doesn't point it in your direction.

Your editorial says: "We disagree with . . . the Communist Party and its efforts to achieve a revolution in the United States. Yet we would offer something less than a free press if we denied our advertising columns to them."

Holy jumping catfish! What kind of logic is that?

If you can arbitrarily refuse ads for such legalized industries as distilling, cigaret making and, as the Tribune did once, for a local group opposed to a harbor bond issue, without doing violence to the sacred precepts of a free press, then, by the eternal gods, you can tell Bloody Joe Stalin where to go.

Sincerely yours,
GENE HOFFMAN,
(Joe Caboose).

1655 Unemployed

A total of $67,654 was disbursed from the San Francisco office of the State Department of Employment to 1655 unemployment disability insurance claimants for the week ending Apr. 11, Herbert Wilson, state administrator, announced Friday.

The money was paid for 2491 weeks of disability. A total of 276 new claims for the insurance were taken during the week in the area office, which covers Redwood City.

Art Exhibit

Visitors to the Red Cross Headquarters at 450 Gough St., San Francisco, have found "there is something new under the sun," in fact, they found a whole new world of effort and achievement in veterans handiwork and crafts displayed at the 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. exhibit which is open to the public daily through next Thursday.

Pluto of the funny strips was there; not Pluto in person, but a wonderful facsimile among a veritable Veterans' Fantasia of animals; wooly little creatures that would charm the hearts of adults and children alike.

With a large percentage of the articles made from salvaged materials, the Red Cross demonstrates in this exhibit, the purpose of the Arts and Skills Corps which is "to provide an opportunity for sick and disabled service men and women in federal hospitals to do creative and constructive work under the direction of artists and craftsmen."

Sponsored by eleven Bay Area Red Cross chapters: Alameda, Berkeley, Marin County, Napa County, Oakland, Palo Alto, Redwood City, San Francisco, San Jose, San Mateo County and Walnut Creek, each chapter participated in the "Art in Action" program which will be repeated again on Thursday.

Alternating between the Marine Hospital at 14th and Lake St., San Francisco, where they teach arts and skills to convalescent veterans every Thursday, and the Gough St. Red Cross headquarters, the San Mateo County Arts and Skills Corps participated in the "Art in Action" demonstration on Thursday, and will again cooperate with the other chapters in next Thursday's demonstration. Among those participating were Mesdms. Richard Heimann, W. F. Kratz, Ralph Hewitt, Carl Gillman, J. Lindsay Hanna, Harrison Fuller, Minna Sullivan, William H. Rowe, and Felix Jones.

Commuter News

BY JOE CABOOSE
(Always Last on the Train)

Today's column was written under difficulty. Not only have we been unexposed to the usual commuter contacts by having spent most of last week in Los Angeles, but the continued telephone strike thwarted efforts Sunday to communicate with our operatives and chief news sources.

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By carrier pigeon a message came through from Clarence Brizee that the big joint dinner meeting of five Redwood City service clubs was a grand success at Villa Chartier last Wednesday night. Exactly 30 of the 150 diners (or 1/5 of the total) were commuters. And Dr. Morley's speech was reported uncommonly good.

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Coming home on the Lark Saturday night we had resolved to ask Pres. W. J. McKeegan, alias Locomotive Bill, to write this column. Five minutes later who walks through the trian but Bill McKeegan himself! He, too, had spent the week in Southern California on business.

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We don't know what Bill was doing down there, but we had an asignment that many foolish persons would have given their right arm for . . . contacting the leading movie studios and national networks in an effort to interest them in the two largest merchant ships ever built on the West Coast . . . the President Cleveland and President Wilson, nearing completion at Bethlehem-Alameda for service in the Pacific.

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We had a "door-opener" 'with us (whose name was Frank instead of Richard) and we got in to see the right people and, in passing, saw quite a number of top royalty of both screen and radio. They all look very ordinary and unglamorous away from the Klieg lights. We witnessed some final action shots of a soon-to-be-released thriller called "Assigned to Treasury," 'most of which was filmed on the SS President Monroe.

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In fact, we had some of the cast as our guests at a cocktail party for the press aboard the President Monroe last Friday on a cruise around Catalina Island, and it was at this affair we learned the difference between a stand-in and a double. A girl resembling Signe Hasso, with two companions, was to leap from the speeding Monroe into a small cutter racing alongside. They missed the shot the first time, and had to do it over later. We asked the girl is she was a "stand-in" for Hasso. She said, "No, I'm her 'double.' A 'double' does the stunts and gets much more money than a mere 'stand-in'."

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Speaking of Los Angeles, do you know that it is the fastest-growing city in the world — that it is adding 50,000 population every month? Which means a city as large as Redwood, San Carlos, Belmont and Menlo Park combined is being added every 30 days.

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Personals . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred (Doc) Crow of Long Beach were house guests last week of the Curran-Winklebleck family. . . . Councilman Chester C. Armstrong, one of the hardest-working public servants we know, has been ordered by his physician to remain home at bed rest for a minimum of 30 days.

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Sign of the times . . . A Chicago judge sentenced a husband to return to his wife or go to jail. He chose the jail. An hour later he changed his mind and asked if he might go home. The judge acquiesced. There is a crying need in this country for better jails.

Flavor Plant

Three-fourths of the students of San Mateo Junior College are in favor of some type of universal military training.

Faculty and staff members also favor such a plan for the youth of America.

Veterans are more in favor of the program than are non-veterans.

A vote was conducted at the junior college at the request of Congressman Jack Z. Anderson of this district.

Comments submitted by the voters indicated that the students favor a training program which would consider the intelligence rating of the individual and would give qualified trainees scientific and technical courses in college.

Conduct of the training program within colleges, rather than at camps, also was favored.

Generally the comments were along the lines of the plan proposed by the army.

In the poll, 85 per cent of the student veterans favored universal training; while 64 per cent of non-veterans were in favor.

The staff, including administrative assistants, favored universal training by 87 per cent vote.

Of the faculty, 72 per cent were in favor; veterans approved by an 84 per cent vote, non-veterans by 60 per cent.

$27,424 in Fees

San Mateo County and cities therein will receive $27,424.38 from the liquor license fee revenue for July 1 to Dec. 31, 1946, State Board of Equalization officials announced today.

The City of Redwood City is allotted $3378.75.

The total disbursement is $1,630,986.49, representing half the license fee collections for the six-month period. The other half is retained to defray administration and enforcement costs, and the difference reverts to the state general fund.

Celebrate 33rd

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stewart of Menlo Park were guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Mullen at their home on Live Oak Ave. Friday evening in celebration of their 33rd wedding anniversary.

After dinner an informal family gathering was held and a silver and white anniversary cake was cut.

Those present were Miss Rose Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stewart of Redwood City, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stewart and children Ross and Audrey of Woodside, Mrs. William Beyers and daughter, Patricia, of Menlo Park, and the Mullen's children, Walter Thomas and Katherine.

Nurses Meet

On Tuesday the regular monthly meeting of the local public health nursing group met at the Red Cross visiting nursing office, 260 Primrose Rd., Burlingame. Mrs. Ann Parker, vice president, presided in the absence of Miss Florence Coe, president.

The guest speaker at this meeting was Mrs. Katherine Bell, supervisor of the general welfare section of the San Mateo County Department of Public Health and Welfare, who discussed the dental program in this county.

The local nurses have pooled their resources to publicize public health nursing during the week of April 20 to 26, known throughout the nation as Public Health Nursing Week.

In this county public health nurses are known as health department nurses, visiting nurses and school nurses. Public health nursing, carried on by the San Mateo County Department of Public Health and Welfare, is headed by Miss Hilda Schneider, supervising nurse. This department has expanded during the past year. One of the new services is a Well-Baby Clinic in Stanford Village. This clinic is well attended and much appreciated by the families of service men. Miss Schneider also reports that Miss Wynetta Watterworth, a tuberculosis consultant, has been added to the staff this past year.

Miss Elizabeth Mack, chairman of the American Red Cross Visiting Nursing Service states that visiting nursing service is available to anyone in San Mateo County. Between 1,200 and 1,500 home visits per month are made by this organization.

Automobile Wreck

Two persons sustained minor injuries last Saturday night when two cars collided at the intersection of El Camino Real and Ralston Ave., in Belmont. Traffic was snarled for nearly an hour after one of the cars caught on fire.

Marjorie E. Glade, 40, 506 Edgewood Rd., Redwood City, and Reagan H. South, 31-year-old San Francisco physician, suffered minor cuts and bruises as a result of the accident. Both refused ambulance service, police said.

According to police, South, who was traveling north on El Camino Real, failed to see the Ralston Ave. stop light, and his car collided into the rear of the car which Mrs. Glade was driving. The accident occurred at 7:45 a'clock.

A Belmont Fire Dept. tank wagon was called to the scene of the accident when the gasoline tank in South's car caught on fire. The blaze was quickly extinguished with a fog spray, chief Elbert Miller said this morning, added that little damage resulted to the car from the fire.

Personal Notes

MARJORIE WOOD, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood of Los Gatos, and Harry W. Lund, son of Mrs. Elsie Lund of Rockford, Ill., were married on Saturday afternoon. The ceremony which took place in Redeemer Lutheran Church was the culmination of a friendship which began at Dibble General Hospital when Harry was a patient there and Marjorie was his nurse. The couple is on a wedding trip to Canada and when they return they will live in East Palo Alto.

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COUNTY TREAS. A. H. SAGEHORN was among those of this community who participated this week in the Centennial Jubilee celebrations of the Luthern Church, Missouri Synod of America. Mr. Sagehorn is treasurer and financial advisor of the California-Nevada district of the church. Friday night he was guest speaker at the Lutheran Men's Club of the Redeemer Lutheran Church of Redwood City.

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MR. JOHN G. SIREX returned Sunday to his home on Orange St., San Carlos, after a month's business trip. Sirex had charge of the opening of a new Avoset milk processing plant in Paris, Ark. Mrs. Sirex left today for Long Beach where she will attend the state Parent Teacher Convention as a delegate from the district. She is the retiring president of the San Carlos PTA.

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MR. AND MRS. W. J. PLANT of King St. had visiting with them last week an old family friend, Mrs. W. L. Wernet of Fargo, No. Dakota. While here Mrs. Werner was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Cutler Brown of San Carlos. Mrs. Brown is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Plant.

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MRS. META P. BROWN of San Carlos was married in Napa to Royal J. Lambdin, retired Fresno business man. The ceremony took place at the home of Miss Gertrude Lambdin, sister of the benedict. The former Mrs. Brown is the mother of James F. Brown of Manor Dr., San Carlos. She has made her home with her son's family for the past five years. A hobby of Mr. Lambdin is making silver bridles and he has presented his handiwork to such screen celebrities as Tom Mix. After an automobile trip through the state the couple expects to settle in the Bay Area.

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JOHN ZEH, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Zeh of Walnut St., will be 4 years old on May Day. A Maypole is being planned by his parents for the entertainment of some of his little friends.

Marchbank Marries

John William Marchbank, former operator of Tanforan Race Track and long in the public eye of San Mateo County, and his secretary of many years, Bernadette Loretta Jones, were married Monday in Walnut Creek.

Marchbank gave his age as 78, Miss Jones as 48. Both gave their residence as Heather Farm, Walnut Creek.

The wedding took place at 3 p.m. in the parish house of St. Mary's Church in Walnut Creek. The Rev. Louis Miller officiated. The couple left immediately after the ceremony for a honeymoon.

Their marriage license was issued at San Francisco City Hall earlier in the day by Acting County Clerk Robert Munson, who delivered application forms to their car to be signed.

Marchbank reportedly made a fortune in the Klondike. He sold his interest in Tanforan last year and retired to his ranch at Walnut Creek, where he breeds race horses. He had been a dominant figure in horse racing for many years. He formerly resided in Daly City.

An accident many years ago caused him to undergo a leg amputation.

Marchbank and his first wife, Ella, were estranged for many years prior to her death.

Bad Luck

A black cat crossing in front of their car brought bad luck to a pair of motorists Saturday night.

Herman Hines, 40, of Martinez, was treated at Community Hospital for cuts he sustained when the car in which he was riding overturned on Bayshore Hwy., near San Carlos.

The driver of the car, Jack E. Hines, 28, of Compton, told California Highway Patrol officers that he jammed on his brakes to avoid hitting the cat, the brakes locked and the car overturned.

Set Date

The San Carlos Kiwanis Club has set May 19 as charter night with a dinner for members and ladies to be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel in San Mateo.

The Redwood City Kiwanis Club has been in charge of the pre-charter meetings. Ray Kidder is handling the sale of dinner tickets.

Monday when the San Carlos club met at the Gables in Belmont for a luncheon meeting, the members were shown movies of the Indianapolis 500-mile automobile race by Ray Calvert of the Firestone Co. Calvert was introduced by Jess Saunders.

It was announced that a board of directors meeting would be held Friday noon at the Gables at which all committee chairmen are requested to be present.

Plan More Cops

Two more officers will probably be required to operate the Redwood City police department during the next fiscal year, City Mgr. E. W. Blom announced today.

He said the department now employed 19 officers, just one less than its authorized strength of 20. So heavy, however, is the schedule of duties for the department that officers are continually piling up long hours of overtime.

In order to provide for sick leaves and time off, Blom explained, it will probably be necessary to hire the two full-time replacement officers.

During the past year the department has hired four new officers. They are:

Robert Copp, 24, 219 Atherton Ave., who was hired Jan. 13 after service in the navy and employment by the United Fruit Co.

James Schultz, 25, 131 Jackson St., a former Marine.

Richard Fitzgerald, 28, 819 Winslow St., who served in the Navy. Fitzgerald's father was a police officer in Redwood City before him.

Receive Warning

San Mateo County juvenile officers Monday issued a warning to "mugger busters" that they are toying with their lives.

Probation Officer John S. Cowgill said that high school boys and girls have been operating in gangs, usually on Friday or Saturday nights, for about two years.

The "mugger busters" drive up to a parked car, shine spotlights or flashlights on the couple discovered necking and drive off.

Cowgill said that occasionally the youths threaten to let air out of the car's tires unless the occupants pay them not to do it.

He added that he knew of at least one case where a man was left stranded out in the country with four flat tires — and his date.

The warning to the youths and their parents was issued by Cowgill as a result of the shooting of a 15-year-old San Carlos boy who was mistaken last Friday night for a "mugger buster."

Any youth apprehended in the popular pastime will be hauled before the juvenile court and charged with malicious mischief, Cowgill declared.

Widow Named

A petition for letters of administration was filed in superior court Monday by Mrs. Anne O. Smith of Belmont in the estate of her husband, the late John G. Smith, Belmont police court judge.

Judge Smith died Apr. 13, leaving an estate estimated at $10,000. The heirs are listed as the widow; a daughter, Mrs. Maidie Schweikert, and two sons, Roussel and A. V. Smith, all of Belmont.

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Stanford Confab

More than 600 Stanford University alumni will attend the 15th annual alumni conference to be held at Stanford, May 3, it was announced Friday by Leon Sloss Jr., of San Francisco, president of the Blom announced Friday.

Dr. Donald B. Tresidder, university president, will speak on "The State of the University," as one of the highlights of an all-day program which will include a panel discussion on "The United States and Its Neighbors" and lectures by faculty members.

The panel discussion on international affairs which will inaugurate the morning program will include Dr. Philip W. Buck, speaking on Europe; Dr. Shau Wing Chan, China; Dr. Harold H. Fisher, Russia; and Dean Carl B. Spaeth of the law school who has served with the State Department in South America and Latin America.

The speech and drama and music departments will provide entertainment during an outdoor luncheon which will be held on the terrace of Memorial Hall.

There will be two afternoon lecture periods in which the alumni will have their choice of a variety of lectures.

Lectures in the first period will be Dr. Karl Spankenberg, "The Miracle of Modern Electronics"; Dr. Graham P. DuShane, "Micro-Surgical Experiments on Living Embryos"; Dr. C. Langdon White, "Signposts of the Future"; and Dean A. John Bartky of the School of Education, "What Is Happening in Higher Education?"; Dr. John P. Troxell, "Collective Bargaining and the Public Interest"; Prof. Samuel D. Thurman, "Labor and Today's Supreme Court"; and "Recent Developments in Radio," by Prof. Clifford F. Weigle.

Lectures in the second period include Chaplain George J. Hall, "The Church and the Student"; Dean John W. Dodds of the School of Humanities, "The Humanities in a Troubled World"; Dr. Ernest R. Hilgard, "The Puzzle of Japanese Friendliness"; Dr. Easton Rothwell, "The United Nations After Two Years"; Dr. Paul H. Kirkpatrick, "Science on the Road Back"; Prof. David F. Faville, "How the Consumer Can Be Smart"; and Dr. Ray Faulkner, "Contemporary Houses."

Mrs. Helen G. Cross of Palo Alto is chairman of the conference. Dr. George F. Sensabaugh is faculty representative on the conference committee. A. Hubbard Moffitt Jr. of Alameda is general chairman of the Alumni Conferences, which in addition to the campus session included conferences at Seattle, Portland and Los Angeles.

Wins Scholarship

Gordon Seely, 17-year-old Sequoia High School student and editor of the Sequoia Times, last weekend was recipient of the annual San Francisco Press Club scholarship for outstanding journalistic achievement.

Gordon won a $250 scholarship for his "best news story," in which he reported progress on the choice of a site for the new high school by the board of trustees.

The young prize winner reported immediately after winning the scholarship that he intends to continue his studies at Santa Clara University following graduation in June.

Gordon's supervisor at Sequoia is Miss Louise N. Watkins, whose advisory work was credited for his showing in defeating 300 contestants in the Press Club contest.

Gordon is a life-long resident of Redwood City. He has spent considerable time working part-time for both the Star-Advertiser and for the Tribune, with which he is now associated.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Seely. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fromm of Redwood City.

Following is Gordon's prize-winning news story:

"A resolution calling for condemnation proceedings to make way for purchasing of a school site in the southern end of the district was passed unanimously at last Thursday's meeting of the board of trustees, Supt. A. C. Argo stated.

"The site, which is 21 acres of the Donohoe property, is located on Ringwood Rd., 600 feet east of Middlefield Rd., near Stanford Village.

"'Centrally located, the site will be able to care for students of Menlo Park, East Palo Alto, Ravenswood, North Palo Alto, and parts of Atherton,' Mr. Argo continued.

"Over 600 students are attending Sequoia from the southern end of the district already; and if population trends continue, the number will be appreciably greater each year.

"The board action was taken after the recommendation of Dr. John Almack, who is making a survey of the entire school for the board, who stated that a site will be needed for a secondary school in the southern district.

"'It is the opinion of the board that they should buy now, while centrally located acreage is available,' Mr. Argo explained. 'It is felt that a school will be built within a short period of years, however, one cannot say just how many.'

"Selection of a site was made after extensive and exhaustive surveys of the available real estate in the southern area. Central location was the prime requirement for any site, because of the problems of transportation and availability to the greatest number of people.

"'Sequoia's school district already owns a piece of property suitable for a site in the San Carlos-Belmont area,' Mr. Argo continued. 'This property was bought two years ago and is known as the Bourdette land.

"Proceedings for the purchase of the Donohoe property are now in the hands of the district attorney, who will draw the necessary papers. The Donohoe site was also approved by the San Mateo County Planning Commission and the Division of Schoolhouse Planning, State Department of Education."

BUILDING BAROMETER
REDWOOD CITY
(Reported by Bldg. Insp. L. M. Duncan)

To date this year ....$ 882,700
To date last year 1,860,200

New permit — Hedahl-Martin Co., Tacoma Mill Co. subdivision, $4000 warehouse.

Health Survey

The financial administration of the county health and welfare department, assailed violently by the grand jury, suffered a new onslaught today in the Public Administration Service's report.

The first item to be attacked in the report was the budget, which is "not entirely effective."

Formal policies are needed and the budget items should be related to them, the report stated. It added that the county is spending only 97 cents per capita for public health, when it should be spending closer to $1.40.

For crippled children, only $1500 was budgeted last year, when state laws require an expenditure of one-tenth of a mill on the total assessed valuation of taxable property, or $14,500.

And to top everything, no over all budget control agency has been established.

"It is reported that the county controller does not audit any of the financial records of the public health and welfare department," the report added.

The survey cites a report by C. G. Uhlenberg, public accountant who made an audit of the department's books, on the condition of the finances at Community Hospital.

"Patients come to the division to pay hospital bills of which the bookkeeper either has had no report or for which he has delayed setting up an accounts receivable card.

"In such case the bookkeeper accepts the proferred payment, issues a receipt therefor and sets up an accounts receivable card with only a credit entry.

"As of June 30, 1946, there were accounts of this type aggregating $9652.07, some of them dating back to 1942, to which no debit has ever been posted.

"The people who made these payments must have been impressed by the fact that there was no record of what they owed, and if they did not regret having voluntarily made a payment, they certainly had no incentive to make further payments."

Patients are admitted to Community Hospital either as "private" patients or "medical welfare" patients.

"The assumption throughout the institution appears to be that all medical welfare patients are either free or deferred payment cases. In fact, more than 60 per cent of the medical welfare cases are supposed to pay part of their charges."

The discharge sheets between Oct. 8, 1945, and Aug. 31, 1946, revealed that more than half of the patients were to pay hospital charges, either at a full or reduced rate.

"Of the $90,000 in estimated accounts receivable during a 12-month period, approximately $30,000 was collected," the report stated.

A delay of a year from the time the patient is discharged to the time the bookkeeper sets up his Cardex accounts means that "the collection process is thwarted at the outset," according to the report.

The social service division has the responsibility of collecting the accounts, rather than the hospital.

"The system is cumbersome, it fails to assign responsibility, and as a result it has broken down," the report added.

The cost of service at the hospital compares unfavorably to the patient-day rate at Mills Hospital. The Community Hospital rate is $9, while at Mills, for maternity cases, as an example, the charges are $7.50 for general wards, $8.50 for two-bed wards and $10.50 for private rooms.

In the social service division the report found fault with the apparent low cost of administration and operation.

The indices of administrative and operational cost relative to the total financial assistance were 6 per cent in 1944-45, 7.6 per cent in 1945-46 and will approximate 9 per cent this year.

The standard, according to the report, should be 10 per cent.

"The expenditure of only 6 per cent for administration and operation in 1944-45 probably indicates a false economy of inadequate administrative control, just as an expenditure of 15 to 20 per cent for administration would be a basis for inquiry."

The recommendation was made that control accounts be established in the social service division.

Other recommendations include the elimination of collecting functions performed for Community Hospital and Canyon Sanatorium; it should maintain individual client records of assistance granted; and should maintain the control file on foster and boarding home payments.

Seek Assailant

An aroused 40th Ave. neighborhood and three San Mateo police cars searched South San Mateo early Saturday to no avail in a hunt for the midnight robber who bludgeoned a housewife and ran off with her purse.

The purse, picked up at dawn this morning at Fifth Ave. and Harbor St. in Belmont, was turned over to police in San Mateo with all contents intact except the $10 it had contained.

Mrs. Mildred Wurts was putting her car into the family garage at 160 40th Ave. just after midnight. When she was locking the garage door she was accosted by a man who came out of the garden.

He beat her over the head several times with a piece of wood, or other heavy object, grabbing her purse as she crumpled to the ground.

Mrs. Wurts' screams aroused her husband in the house who called police and ran outside with a 25-20 shotgun. He shot one shell to wake the rest of the neighbors.

The assailant made his getaway, being spotted by one person in the area who said he saw a man running east on 40th Ave. to Donner St. where he got into a dark convertible with a light canvas top.

Negotiate Contracts

Progress in negotiating new agreements to cover machine shops on the Peninsula and the rest of the Bay Area was reported Monday by unions and employers.

Some 22,000 machinists in San Mateo County and the East Bay are asking for increases of from 25 to 27 per cent over the present scale of $1.51 an hour.

All the machinist unions have filed intentions to strike if the negotiations fail.

West Elected

Mrs. Hazel West was elected president of the San Carlos Parent Teacher Assn. during the business session of unit when it met Tuesday night at the San Carlos school auditorium. The retiring president, Mrs. Clara Sirex, presided.

Mrs. West, who served as vice president and program chairman this year, is very active in city affairs. She headed the committee of the last "Chicken's Ball" show sponsored by the PTA. She is past president of the Junior Matrons, is the leader of a Girl Scout troop and a member of the Interfaith Committee for Weekday Religious Education. She is local chairman for the current cancer drive.

Elected to serve with Mrs. West: Mrs. Florence Cadigan, first vice president; Mrs. Lupe Silva, second vice president; Mrs. Bernice Chase, third vice president; Mrs. Ruth Hallinger, secretary; Mrs. Medella Byrne, financial secretary; Mrs. Eleanor Smalley, treasurer; Mrs. Vera Cooper, treasurer, and Mrs. Jean Barthold, historian. The installation of officers will take place next month.

During the meeting, Mrs. Josephine Kipp, legislative chairman, outlined bills before the state assembly which the California Congress of Parents and Teachers is backing. Among these were the establishment of a state recreation commission, AB 2012; state school building aid, AB 98; child care centers, urging their continuance, AB 1781 and AB 1782; juvenile courts, to provide a female referee, AB 562, and three bills pertaining to traffic safety for minors, AB 166, AB 168 and AB 174.

Mrs. Gladys Gabert of Redwood City spoke, enlarging upon traffic bill AB 166 in which, she said, it was aimed to restore the age for issuing operators' licenses to 16 after it had been lowered to 14 during the war years. The president urged all interested to write to their state assemblyman or senator.

Mrs. Smalley reported on the success of the recent fashion show and announced that 93 subscriptions to the Parent-Teacher magazine had been secured.

Mrs. Charles Updegraff, representative from the unit on the Fourth of July Committee, reported the unit planned a booth and float to take part in the celebrations.

The president announced that the unit received a first award from the district for the best publicity book in the elementary school classification. The book will be on display at the state convention to be held next week in Long Beach. The president-elect was named as delegate to the convention.

Miss Ruth Melendy, superintendent of schools called attention to public school night with Open House on May 1 from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Central School. High school councillors met last night at the school for 8th grade pupils and parents.

For the meeting, the speakers' table was centered with varicolored pink climbing roses and a bouquet of red roses were placed on the refreshment table.

Charge Filed

A complaint charging Ronald C. Tucker, 26, 984 15th Ave., North Fair Oaks, with manslaughter in a traffic death was issued Tuesday by the district attorney's office.

Tucker is the driver of the car which on Apr. 20 collided with an automobile driven by Domenico Bortolotti, 61-year-old proprietor of Dan's Place at Moss Beach. Bortolotti died Sunday from injuries sustained in the crash.

The accident occurred on a narrow bridge on Coast Hwy. two miles north of Half Moon Bay, injuring six other persons, including Tucker, who still is in Community Hospital.

Chapter Merger

The Redwood City Chapter, American Red Cross, henceforth will be known as the Sequoia Chapter, following the merger this week of the Menlo Park-Atherton branch with the Redwood City chapter.

There will be equal representation on the board of directors from communities covered by the chapter, Mrs. Thomas James, newly appointed executive secretary of the Sequoia Chapter, said. The chapter covers Redwood City, Atherton, East Palo Alto, Menlo Park and Woodside.

Louis B. Dematteis, Redwood City attorney and former chief deputy district attorney, was named chapter chairman. He succeeds Duncan Reynard.

Other officers chosen were Harold Bishopp, who has been on the board of directors of the Menlo Park-Atherton branch, first vice chairman; Mrs. John Blackinger, second vice chairman; Mrs. William Turnbull, chapter secretary, and Mrs. Ray S. Hayes, relected treasurer.

Other board members chosen were Henry C. Maier, who was campaign chairman during the March drive for funds; Mrs. Richard Schmidt, James Thornton, Clifton Woodhams, Mrs. A. B. Swinerton, Mrs. Arnold Schier, E. C. Montague, William Kratt, Mrs. Polk Dodson Jr. and Clayton Elliott.

Guests at the annual meeting included Grey Lusty, regional director of the Pacific area, and H. M. Angell, general field representative serving this territory.

Mrs. James, who was named executive secretary, had been a volunteer worker for three years. She had served as staff assistant, home service department and chapter secretary for the past year. She is now taking an in-training course for executive secretaries at San Francisco and Berkeley.

Go Camping

Girl Scout Troop 4 from Mt. Carmel recently camped overnight at Camp Woodhaven.

Accompanying the seventh graders were Mrs. Frank J. Brady, leader; Mrs. Andrew Cattich, coleader; Mrs. Dallas Conine and Mrs. Victor Thierry.

Members of Troop 4 making the overnight trip were Marilyn Bini, Joan Brady, Joyce Brophy, Mary Ann Bucholz, Margot Casanova, Marylou Cattich, Maureen Donovan, Anne Formico, Joyce Fullmer, Mary Hall, Joan Hill, Barbara O'Farrell, Lilla Ramos, Pat Renfrau, Maureen Rixen, Rinda Shaff, Catherine Shannon, Marianne Thierry, Virginia Unger and Dolores Vogl.

Garden

By ROLLY LANGLEY

Mrs. Joe Bradley in Richmond is getting the heeby-jeebies from sowbugs that won't eat sowbug bait, and root maggots that think soil fumigants make no difference.

If the soil fumigant is applied, as per directions on the container, it will control these soil pests. It's been successful in too many cases for us to question the adequacy of dichloroethyl ether. I'd suggest trying again, following the directions to the letter.

Where sowbugs don't take bait, dust the ground where they're troublesome with calcium arsenate. That stops them. Remember that calcium arsenate is a poison, and shouldn't be put on edible parts of vegetables. . . . Sowbugs in the flower garden can be expelled with the calcium arsenate.

"The leaves of our peach tree are curling very badly," writes R. F. Roesch. "We sprayed the tree with nicotine sulphate solution but this did not seem to help it. Is there some other spray that would cure this blight? Also about ranunculus bulbs. Just how do you take care of the bulbs when they are through blooming? Can you leave them in the ground in Winter?"

Curly leaf on peach and apricot trees is controlled by spraying before the leaves come out with bordeaux mixture. A spraying now will not cure the trouble this year. Nicotine sulphate has no effect on curly leaf.

Ranunculus "bulbs" are to be dug after the plants have died down. The tubers are separated and stored until Fall, and then planted. They're in the ground—growing—through the Winter.

Mrs. A. L. Silva sends in a complaint on a rubber tree which hasn't done well since she transplanted to a much larger pot two months ago. The leaves are discolored, and yet the plant is kept in a well ventilated room. The leaves are probably discolored through a lack of nutrients, caused by shock in moving. I'd suggest feeding the plant with a complete plant food in liquid form. Not a heavy feeding, but a little every week or so. Odds are, the plant will recover with this treatment.

Mrs. A. Bacigalupi writes, "My cucumber plants which do very well for about a month will all of a sudden stop growing. The leaves near the ground will start drying out and gradually the dryness will spread all over the plant. The leaves dry to a crisp and die. It's happened to my centaureas and many other plants."

There's a disease known as anthracnose, or rust, or leaf blight which attacks members of the cucumber family, and develops much as Mrs. Bacigalupi describes her cucumbers' action. A spraying with Bordeaux mixture, 4-4-50 strength, is recommended. Apply as soon as any slight trouble shows.

Minnie Hanley got a high germination on Pearl Harbor tomatoes. 170 plants which are growing vigorously. "Enough to make a big row," she says, and amen, says I.

Don't plant the Pearl Harbor tomatoes before they're four inches high, as a general rule, unless you're pretty clever at handling delicate things without injuring them.

Mrs. C. J. Burrell of Castro Valley wonders why her pink and red peonies don't bloom, while white ones in the same bed bloom profusely. This tendency in borderline cases is noted in many flowers. Where conditions aren't ideal, some strains, or colors, will make the grade while others fail.

Peonies like a change in climate—cold Winters and warm Summers, with plenty of moisture in Summer, and a rich, fertile soil. They may find the Castro Valley climate too equable for best results, peculiar as this may seem.

Proof that she has the climate comes from her report that already in her garden are volunteer tomatoes 16 inches high, volunteer squash, beans, etc. In fact, she puts the question: "Why plant?" Another question back is, "Why plant peonies under such circumstances?"

Fun Night

The Friends Committee of the Young Ladies' Institute had a "Fun Night" at the home of Mrs. Edward Graul, 415 Arlington Rd., Tuesday evening.

Those present were Mmes. Joseph DeLucca, Philip Demma, H. N. Bozzo, Henry DeWree, Andrew Cattich, Virgil Bailey, Joseph Britschgi, John Clarkin, Edward Plume, Kay Nouque, George Goodall, Jack McQuade, Charles Geenan, Carl Tiedemann, Fred Kubes, Joseph Taylor, Lester Williams, Louis B. Dematteis and Misses Bernice Caruso and Ruth Donahoe.

The next meeting will be held May 9 and will be an evening of telephone whist.

Juveniles Blamed

The stripping of a 1½-ton truck engine in the Bohannon tract in Woodside Hills was attributed Tuesday by sheriff's officers to juveniles who wanted parts for a hot-rod.

The truck, property of the Peter Sorensen Construction Co., was stripped of the carburetor, generator, manifold and spark plugs and gaskets. The stripping occurred during the weekend and was reported yesterday to the sheriff's office by Carl Stoner, an employe of the Sorensen firm.

78th Birthday

A surprise birthday party was held for Mrs. Mamie Glennan Wednesday when six friends from San Mateo arrived unexpectedly, bringing the luncheon with them.

Mrs. Glennan celebrated her 78th birthday Sunday. She is known to many as the only living charter member of the Bonita Parlor 10 of the Native Daughters of the Golden West. A great grandchild was presented to her when Mrs. James Love of San Carlos, her granddaughter, gave birth to a son on Apr. 4. He was named Daniel Joseph.

The luncheon guests from San Mateo were Mmes. Emily Hullberg, Emma Meller, Laura Abraham, Nan Crichton, Bertha Dennison and Olive Sporer. Present also were Mrs. Alene Mcguire, Mrs. Glennan's daughter, and Miss Ruth Trice of Redwood City.

Following the meeting of the Bonita Parlor, NDGW, last night, Mrs. Glennan was presented with a cake and gifts as a surprise to her.

County Budget

BY WINFIELD SCOTT
Sec. Mgr. Civic League of SM County

Unofficially, of course, it may be stated here that the county supervisors make their first examination of the health and welfare provisions of the preliminary county budget early next week. Thus begins the struggle with the set up, which includes the Community Hospital, Canyon Sanitarium, Relief Home, social welfare and odds and ends of the overwhelming and overshadowing "institution" which in many details has been described as a "machine." As such, it is regarded by many who are familiar with courthouse circles and doings.

In a previous resume there was printed some figures showing how the expenditures of each of these institutions have swollen from the relatively modest total of Pearl Harbor year, 1941-42, to the towering "requests" of today. There was presented no summary of their combined "requests" and former expenditures. Here it is:

HEALTH & WELFARE, ETC.

1947-48—Requests	**$2,806,303**
1946-47—Total	**2,253,195**
1945-46— "	**1,678,082**
1941-42— "	**1,128,181**

Yearly increases since the war average about $500,000 a year!

It was the intention to devote most of this communication to the sheriff's office and its appendages, the jail and constable's expenses. Below will be found what is wanted this year and the cost in recent years.

The report coming from the civil service department develops that in the fiscal year closing June 30 the sheriff's force, including himself, numbered 34. The sheriff asked for seven more deputies and a stenographer for 1946-47. Unofficially it is reported that he has been allowed, tentatively, five new deputies and the steno, expanding the force to 40. The new men, so it is reported, are needed to do more patrol service in the northern end of the county. In the aggregate, the recent cost of the sheriff's office, jail and constables total:

1947-48—Requests	**$217,331**
1946-47—Total	**172,643**
1945-46— "	**130,073**
1941-42— "	**86,155**

The voters recently defeated a proposed bond issue for additions to the county jail. It is now proposed to use the money laid aside in recent years for veterans memorial buildings for jail construction. The total to be diverted into this new channel is $73,075.61.

This is essentially the same sort of financing to which on one occasion, the supervisors resorted last year. Under what amounted to a strike threat from the county hospital, about $140,000 was taken from the courthouse construction fund and used for cooling off the threat.

The wisdom of drawing on such funds, which are raised for a specific purpose year after year, and using them for other purposes is open to criticism. Pretty handy of course to have "loose money" laying around. But suppose this becomes a habit, an "institution" if you please. Suppose a different sort of board—this one means well and is honest but lacks judgment—were to be elected in later year? What might happen if present day practices are cited as a standard practice?

The next communication will dip into the affairs of the probation office, the recreation commission, the planning commission and some other gallant spenders.

Set SC Meeting

Its first meetng proved so successful that members of the newly formed San Carlos Toastmasters Club have set another session for next Monday at 7 p.m. at the Gables, Organizer Frank Murphy reported Tuesday.

The San Carlans, aided by other Peninsula Toastmaster Clubs, held their first meeting last night and voted to set a weekly date.

Murphy pointed out that all persons in the San Carlos area who who are interested in public speaking are invited to attend next Monday's dinner meeting.

Plans call for a Charter Night at a later date, at which time the San Carlos unit would become part of Toastmasters International.

PTA Meet

Installation of officers was the order of business at the meeting of the Washington School PTA, Tuesday, when the unit celebrated its first birthday.

Mrs. Olive Elliott, retiring president, conducted the meeting in the auditorium, at which Mrs. Genevieve Cerruti reported that the open house and carnival held at the school Friday evening was a great success. She thanked everyone who had contributed to the success of the venture.

Mrs. John Furnas, representing the district organization, installed the new officers, who are as follows:

Mrs. Ella Rehbock, president, Mrs. Genevieve Cerruti, vice president, Mrs. Helen Roman, secretary; Mrs. Mildred Jenkins, treasurer; Mrs. Elaine Winters, auditor; Mrs. Virginia Godtfredsen, historian, and Mr. Milum Tackitt, parliamentarian. Mr. Tackitt is principal of the school.

Corsages were pinned on the new officers as they were installed by Mrs. Gordon Turbitt, hospitality chairman, and a large birthday cake beautifully decorated and proudly wearing a single candle, was served at the close of the meeting, which was rounded out by a program including vocal numbers and a clarification of the new methods of teaching children to read. This was carried out by Mr. Tackitt with the help of the following teachers, each of whom explained the methods taught in her grade: Mrs. Bertha Bauer, Mrs. Carrie Rogelstad, Mrs. Elaine Winters, Mrs. Edith Stroud, and Mrs. Miriam Hildebrandt.

Ugh! Too Much

Mrs. Betty Staggs, 3703 Jefferson Ave., was treated at Community Hospital Monday morning for an overdose of phenobarital.

She telephoned Police Lt. S. D. Wood explaining that she had forgotten where in San Francisco she had left her automobile.

Wood advised her to see San Francisco police but when her voice faded he started to inquire into her condition. After she told him she had taken between eight and 10 tablets, Wood telephoned the San Mateo County sheriff's office.

Rites Read

In the picturesque, mission style Church of Our Lady of the Wayside in Portola Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, Willa McNear became the bride of William W. Budge.

The Rev. Thomas Cummings of St. Catherine's Church in Burlingame and Father John E. Meehan, pastor of the Woodside Church, officiated at the ceremony in the church which was decorated with pink peonies, pale blue delphinium with touches of white.

Alexander Budge, brother of the bridegroom, was the best man. Seating the guests were Whit Budge, another brother; Alec Henderson, Scott Martin and Wakefield Mist of Hawaii.

A quintet of young women, all in filmy white organdy gowns, preceded the bride down the center aisle. Miss Rhoda Welch served as maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. William Bradford (Marianna Welch), and the Misses Ruth Budge, sister of the bridegroom; Margot Clark and Gertrude Spreckels.

Their gowns were fashioned with flounces cascading down the back and a flounce at the hemline. They wore short white veils with fresh flowers of blue, white and pink on the crowns and carried "Rosary-type" bouquets which duplicated the flowers in their hair.

Willa was escorted by her stepfather, Mr. Otto Teller of San Mateo. Her modified princess gown was of heavy cream-colored satin, with three-quarter length pushed-up sleeves and a long train. She wore her mother's tulle bridal veil which is embroidered with pearls. The veil was held with a coronet of fresh bouvardia. White orchids were aranged in a "Rosary-type" bouquet for her to carry.

The reception immediately followed the ceremony at Hazelwood Hills, the James Athearn Folger home in Woodside. The Folgers are the great-uncle and aunt of the bride.

The young couple received the guests, who numbered about 400, in the living room, which was decorated with rhododendron and fern with touches of blue blooms. The mantel was draped with blue brocade into which pink roses were worked. Trees of pink stock stood on either side of the bridal party.

Mrs. Teller, the bride's mother, chose a gown of pale beige and completed her ensemble with a natural straw hat with brown veiling and carried a sable muff.

Mrs. Alexander Budge, mother of the bridegroom wore an afternoon dress of gray with matching accessories.

Willa wore a print frock under a blue coat and a brown straw hat with red when the couple left for a wedding trip by air to Hawaii. They will occupy a home on Oahu until May 10 when they will return to reside in Burlingame where they already have purchased a home.

Willa was presented at the Victory Ball in 1945, as were four of her attendants, and is a graduate of Sacred Heart Convent in Menlo Park. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McNear of San Francisco and the late Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Folger.

Mr. and Mrs. Budge, parents of the bridegroom, formerly made their home in Honolulu, but came to the mainland about a year ago to make their home in San Mateo.

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Emmerich, 1337 Cordilleras Ave., San Carlos, a daughter was born at Mills Memorial Hospital on April 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitney, 915 Valparaiso Ave., Menlo Park, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Terry Brown, 525 Kenwood Dr., Menlo Park, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Sehlover, 2305 Hillway Ave., Redwood City, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gordon King Anderson, 253 University Dr., Menlo Park, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Canfield, 718 El Camino Real, San Carlos, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stevick, 164 Isabella Ave., Atherton, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Bean, 839 Clinton St., Redwood City, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Burns, 1043 Tehama St., Menlo Park, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Norman Godbe, 51 Shearer Dr., Atherton, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 23.

Men Meet

The Men's Club of Redeemer Lutheran Church held the regular monthly meeting in the Parish Hall Friday evening, with Pres. Harry Lagoni presiding.

Secy. Kenneth Hoag read the minutes of the previous meeting. The committee reports were made and accepted. They were community affairs, Henry Witte; program, Fred Schroeder; publicity, Chester Shamel, and sports and games, Glenn Kelly.

Mr. A. Burtleson and Mr. George Milheim reported on visits to the Redwood City Council meetings made by two groups of men from the club, with the purpose of obtaining first-hand information on the workings of this important community governmental body.

The program of the evening consisted of an interesting and instructive talk by Mr. Albert Sagehorn, San Mateo County treasurer. Mr. Sagehorn described the multiple functions and duties of his office. A question and answer period was held at the conclusion of the talk.

Scout Trip

Scouts of Troop 153 held a pre-camporette outing at Memorial Park the weekend of Apr. 19 and 20. Tests were passed.

Patrol contest was won by the Beaver Patrol, with a total of 236 points, the Pioneer Patrol having 208 points.

Those attending were, Les Mundell, scoutmaster; Doug Britton, assistant scoutmaster; Al Stewart, committeeman, and Scouts Bob Weckerle, Lavis Mundell, Earl Garrett, Erle Barnett, Bill Hagmeyer, Bob Frehner, Brian Welsh, Bill Nott, Harry Adams and Tommy Youtsey.

Parents' Corner

ON FEELING IMPORTANT

"Why can I do to control my class?" A teacher from a small rural school has written to ask for some suggestions. "I have been teaching only a few months and I am having trouble.

"Most of the boys and girls are good, but two of the big ones have set out to drive me crazy." She describes the situation in considerable detail and then asks, "What can I do with these bad boys?"

I've answered the letter with a personal note suggesting that she gets help from the county school supervisors, and that she contact he former instructors at her college. I made another suggestion to her that could stand repeating to parents here. Very often it is a device which makes troublesome youngsters good, and good children better: Make them feel important.

Does your Johnny lack interest in school? Would he rather spend the day loafing around home? A good many boys feel that way. Suggest to his teacher that your Johnny be given a job at school, an important job, which should be done each day, and watch the result. If Johnny is a normal boy and if he realizes how important it is for him to get to school and carry out the job; if he knows people are depending on him to do it, he will be out of bed and off to school so regularly that you will be amazed.

Recently we saw this happen in a junior high school which didn't have an adequate number of janitors or custodians. The vice principal recognized the symptoms of future difficulty in a boy we will call "Bill." He forestalled the trouble by giving Bill the job of checking room temperatures throughout the building before school opens. Do you think Bill would play hooky any more? Of course not! He has to be there and do the job. He takes enough interest in it to make the rounds at noontime, also. And he is doing good work in his classes once more. He feels important—and he is important.

The same thing was described by a teacher in the third grade, only in this case it was a little girl who had been stealing cake and candy out of the other children's lunches. The teacher knew the girl quite well and knew her abilities, as well as her weaknesses. She made the young lady cloak-room monitor, to supervise the hanging up of coats and the arrangement of lunches. The little girl also was to keep an eye out during the day to see that nobody stole cake or candy. Of course, she stopped her own stealing immediately and she took on a new importance in her own eyes at school. She feels important and she is important.

Can we parents use the same devices around home? It has to be a job that is real, not just a bit of juvenile boondoggling. It has to be a job your child recognizes as important and it has to be presented in just the right way.

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Budget Study

City Mgr. E. W. Blom announced Monday that he was distributing forms to Redwood City department heads calling for 1947-48 budget proposals.

After department heads have outlined their needs for the coming fiscal year, Blom will draw a tentative budget which will be forwarded to the city council.

The budget year for Redwood City is from July 1 through June 30.

Last year the city operated on a deficit basis. While costs of operating the city increased, the city was held by state law to a $1 tax rate limit. Since there had been no revaluation of taxable city properties since before the war the assessed value of the city was low, and consequently the $1 rate failed to provide enough funds. The difference last year was made up out of a post-war fund.

Since then, a revaluation firm has been hired by the city council and is expected to present new assessed values by July 1.

Blom said he was assuming that the valuations would be increased over those used last year and that the city would be able to pay its way this year.

County Aid

Aid paid to the needy in San Mateo County during fiscal 1945-46 was the equivalent of $5.78 per $1000 of assessed value in the county, California Taxpayers' Assn. said Monday. The county tax rate for general purposes was $13.56 per $1000.

Aid to the needy aged paid in the county during the last completed fiscal year was equal to $5.11 per $1000 of assessed valuation in the county.

Aid to the needy blind equalled 14 cents per $1000 valuation.

Aid to children averaged 29 cents per $1000 value.

General county relief averaged 29 cents per $1000 of taxable value.

Most of the aid to the aged, blind, and children in California is financed by the federal and state governments, the association said. For example, maximum aid to the aged of $55 per month is financed $25 federal, $25 state and $5 county. Aid to county indigents is financed by the county alone.

Assault Charge

Goldie C. Miller, 37-year-old Bayshore City waitress, Monday was charged with assault with a deadly weapon as a result of the slashing of her former husband Friday night.

Dep. Sheriff Paul Jensen said that Miss Miller admitted cutting Shirley William Hunter, 35, South San Francisco, about the face with a pocket knife when the latter had attempted to effect a reconciliation.

Hunter is in Community Hospital, where his condition is said to be not serious. The pair were divorced two years ago, and at that time Miss Miller's maiden name was restored.

Joseph B. Brazeal, 27-year-old San Francisco rigger who was found in the bedroom with Miss Hunter, is held as a material witness.

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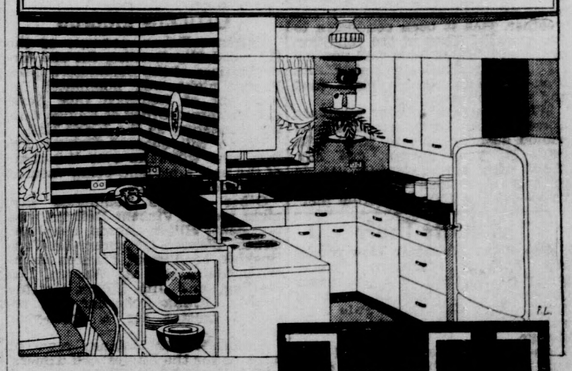

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Most women agree cooking is fun but it is the mixing and preparing of food that makes for fuss and bother. And that is just what kitchen planning experts have in mind when they locate cabinets and counters right handy to the refrigerator to create a food preparation and mixing center. If you are building or modernizing, no room calls for more careful planning than your kitchen. So plan and budget now, because the time is coming soon when you can buy the many beautiful and efficient appliances you have been waiting for.

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Garden Tips

By ROLLY LANGLEY

Nine prizes totalling $1500 (the first prize being $500) are being offered in the garden photograph contest sponsored by the editor of Gardening, C. Edward Schofield, Editor, Newark, New York. Every print submitted must show roses. You have until Oct. 15, 1947 to file your shots.

That's a reminder. Are you planning on taking pictures at the California Spring Garden Show. Better get your film and lights ready. Show opens Apr. 29, remember.

Mrs. B. M. Jerding of Hayward works, so does her husband. But they make garden progress. "Just a year ago we were initiated into gardening and needless to say there were many disappointments. The volunteer squash crowded out other vegetables. The gophers literally walked away with the tomato plants. The apricots developed brown rot and the pears fell with nary a one to can!

"Something killed the pansies, but not before I had some to admire. There was one redeeming feature. The strawberries did wonders. Your cabbage went to seed some of it, though some survived."

With that sort of an initiation, many grenthumbers with full time for gardening might get discouraged. But not the Jerdings!

"This year we've made many changes and for the better. We've sprayed the fruit trees three times already. I have baits out for slugs, snails, gophers and sowbugs. No squash this year, our garden is too small. We have lettuce, radishes, carrots, beets, parsley, cauliflower, brussels sprouts.

"Coral bells and pansies were all the flowers we had last year with the exception of geraniums which were rampant last year. This past week we have added the Hydrangea, Raphiolipis, Orata, Eugenia myrtifolia, Abelia grandiflora, golden euonymous, escallonia rubra, some good rose varieties, stocks and daisies, too. Last Mother's Day we planted a dwarf winesap and this year a Eureka lemon.

"I know you said Meyer, but we wanted a larger tree as we have none in front. We had one of the apricots grafted to peach, plum and almond this Spring on the advice of a neighbor who does that type of work. Now you know the history of our garden. . . ."

I'll wager many readers are thinking, "Gee, I wish I could show that much progress in a year. Well, you can. All you have to do is shake off the lethargy which sometimes creeps up and ties us down. Just make up your mind you're going to get things done, and start doing them.

Mrs. J. Blakely of Sacramento says that her soil is sandy, and she'd like to grow a lot of good watermelons this coming year. She'll have better luck if she adds some well-rotted manure to that sandy soil, and enriches it with some commercial fertilizer. Melons need to grow fast, and means plenty of moisture and plant food.

She's also been troubled with carrots and parsnips freezing and spoiling the flavor this past Winter. Frost nipping is recommended to improve the flavor of parsnips, but if this isn't what a person wants (and certainly no one wants frosted carrots), then cultivate toward the rows, and heap up the soil above the roots. This will protect plants against most weather we get.

Drawing the soil toward the plants is just as good practice in Summer, to prevent sunburning of roots. Also, as dirt farmers put it, "Cultivation draws water toward the roots." It's a fact that by working the soil toward the plants, keeping the surface well-scratched will cut down on water requirements.

Whenever plants aren't making appropriate growth, either flowers or vegetables, think first of the weather. Has it been conducive to fast growth? Then of the condition of the soil. Has it been well worked . . . is it mechanically right? And then—is there enough plant food and moisture available?

When you can answer all those questions in the affirmative, you should soon be able to point with pride at your garden, and say, "Look what Mother Nature can do in this marvelous California climate—with a little help from me!"

Admits Theft

One of two Mountain View youths late Monday afternoon pleaded guilty to the theft of a newspaper delivery truck from in front of Sunny Jim's Cafe, East Palo Alto, but his companion denied the charge.

Andrew R. Perez entered the guilty plea in the superior court of Judge Edmund Scott and asked for probation. He will be sentenced next Monday.

His companion, Roberto T. Delgado, pleaded not guilty and his trial date will be set Monday.

The two were accused of having stolen a car in Mountain View and when it ran out of gas in East Palo Alto to have taken the truck while the driver was inside the cafe.

Lloyd R. Jacobsen of Redwood City and Earl W. Bell of San Francisco were arraigned before Judge Scott on charges of robbery in connection with the holdups at the Tonga Club and the Hidden Valley Inn. They are to enter pleas next Monday.

Willie Russell, bartender at the Zombi Hut, East Palo Alto, pleaded not guilty to a charge of contributing to the delinquency of minors by selling liquor to them.

He is accused of having sold liquor to three boys 15 to 17 years old who had been arrested for stealing articles of clothing from Stanford Village.

Three San Francisco Negroes accused of robbing Austin Alner, San Francisco warehouseman, will go on trial May 20 before Judge Scott.

King Coleman, J. C. Johnson and Willie Davidson pleaded not guilty to the charge after Judge Scott refused to quash the information.

Bartlett Threatens

Belmont Police Comsr. W. C. Bartlett announced last Friday that he would resign from the city council "unless a certain situation is straightened up by the first of next week." Bartlett would not comment as to the nature of the situation.

"I will know definitely what I will do by Monday morning," Bartlett said. The city council holds its next meeting Monday night.

Gets Shot

Ten high school students, mistaken for "mugger busters" by the occupants of a parked car, ran a barrage of gun fire Friday and one of them wound up in Mills Hospital with a bullet in his shoulder.

Robert Smith, 15, of Old County Rd., San Carlos, was the wounded youth, and hospital attendants said Saturday that his condition was not serious.

The shooting occurred near the Pulgas Water Temple on Canada Rd. about 9 p.m. The group of students, composed of seven boys and three girls, all between the ages of 15 and 18, had planned a beach party at Half Moon Bay, but because one of the girls had to be home by 10:30, they decided, instead, to go to the water temple.

According to deputy sheriffs, the two cars in which the adolescents were riding, pulled into the parking area near the water temple; Smith got out and shined a flashlight on a car parked nearby.

The occupants of the car, believed to be two couples, turned a spotlight on the cars occupied by the students.

Smith got back into his car, started to pull out when the people in the other car started shooting.

The youths told deputy sheriffs that seven or eight shots were fired, one of which hit Smith in the shoulder, and at least two others pierced the car.

The person who did the shooting was described as having dark hair and wearing a plaid shirt.

An all-points broadcast was released for the arrest of the persons believed to have done the shooting.

Chief Dep. Sheriff Walter Moore said that examination of the bullets showed they were fired from a .22 calibre gun.

Deputy sheriffs said that the students evidently were mistaken either for robbers, or "mugger busters"—persons who break up or spy on necking parties.

Rates Raised

Redwood City motorists were preparing to taken another hitch in their belts and pocketbooks as automobile insurance companies announced heavy increases in collision insurance rates, effective Thursday.

Under the new setup, which marks the second sizeable boost within the past year, the average small car owner will be paying about 50 per cent more, regardless of what model car he drives.

Figures released by Myron E. Harman, head of the auto insurance agents group for this area, show that the man who drives a 1941 Chevrolet will pay $71 for $25 deductible insurance, as compared to $41. His comprehensive rate will remain the same.

For the owner of a new car, the ratio of increase has been approximately the same.

Harman points out that the other small cars (Ford and Plymouth), as well as the larger models, show similar increases, although the figures vary slightly with each make and model.

The insurance companies listed the following reasons why it has become necessary to increase rates again: 30 per cent more accidents are being reported; cost of repairs have gone up 35 per cent; 17 per cent more cars are breaking down; 15 per cent more cars are being stolen and damaged by vandalism.

Those whose insurance policies do not expire until after May 1 will continue to pay the same rate until they are obliged to pay for a renewal, or take out a new policy.

Officers Elected

Calrence Brizee, coowner of the Redwood City Bottling Co. and former officer of the Commuters Club, Friday night was nominated for president of Redwood City Aerie 418, Fraternal Order of Eagles, during a meeting at the IOOF Hall.

Brizee will succeed Delmar Peters, who will take over the chair of the past president, being vacated by Sanford Ratliff.

Other officers nominated last night include Vincent DeBella, vice president; Hilton Gibson, chaplain; Ernest Werder, treasurer; Ed VanBuskirk, conductor; Frances Steiner, inside guard; Al Warren, Lee Sterling, and Jim Milam, outside guard. Frank Schottler was renamed trustee for a three-year term.

Chmn. Walter Maloney reported in plans for the Eagles' Old Timers' Night, May 16, and Gibson reported on plans for the annual Mother's Day program May 9, both events to be held at the IOOF Hall.

Tax Share

The City of Redwood City was apportioned $9704 from the state motor vehicle license fee "in lieu" tax, Thomas H. Kuchel, state controller, announced Tuesday, the funds representing collections from July 1, 1946, to Mar. 31, 1947.

The apportionment was made on the basis of 14,662 population. San Mateo County received $69,949.08 as its share, on the basis of 111,782 population.

Counties received 40 per cent of the $13,943,474 collected, Kuchel said, and incorporated cities a like amount. The remaining $2,161,194 was transferred to the state general fund.

Collections for the nine-month period were an all-time high, and represented an increase of 53 per cent over the corresponding period a year ago.

The "in lieu tax" is an excise tax levied for the privilege of using the highways, and is fixed at $1.75 per $100 valuation, based on actual value of the motor vehicle as determined by the state department of motor vehicles.

New Wagon

Lyle Clark, San Carlos fire chief, Tuesday was in Oakdale, near Modesto, picking up a new fire engine for the San Carlos department.

The truck is an International tank wagon, remodeled from an army truck. It will be used to fight grass fires, firemen said.

Featured in the new tank wagon will be a 600-pound high pressure pump. Firemen said that the new truck will be put into service immediately.

Garden

By ROLLY LANGLEY

FANTASIA, the 1947 California Spring Garden Show opens at 8 a.m. tomorrow, and that means thousands will be mixing horticulture and premiere atmosphere tonight as society's sponsors preview the huge specacle, bedecked in jewels, beautiful formals and corsages which vainly try to match the show material.

The early opening—and eight is early for any show—is to allow business people a good chance to see the exhibits before going to work.

Clive B. Chilton of San Leandro went to work, keeping a log of the Pearl Harbor tomato seeds. As a pattern, check this enlightening record. It shows how materials work out and establish reputations:

"I planted the Pearl Harbor seed Mar. 27, and was extremely careful, percentage-wise, and in counting out exactly 100 seeds in two flats as follows:

"Flat No. 1—4 rows, 13 to a row, 1" apart, total 52. Planting mixture consisted of 50 per cent garden loam (treated with soil fumigant) 25 per cent sand and 25 per cent peat moss. Flat No. 2—4 rows, 12 to a row, 1" apart, total 48. Planting mixture same as in flat No. 1, except that soil was not treated with soil fumigant.

"First plants appeared exactly one week later in both flats. Two weeks after planting, germination was 96 per cent in Flat No. 1 and 62 per cent in Flat No. 2.

"One week after first plant appeared, the tallest was 3¼ inches. In Flat No. 2 the tallest was 2¼ inches with smallest 1 inch, as against the smallest in No. 1 being 2 inches high."

"In Flat No. 1, 52 planted, 50 germinated for 96 per cent. Within 2 weeks 8 died of damping off, leaving a net of 42 or 80 per cent.

"In Flat No. 2, 48 planted, 30 germinated for 62 per cent. Within two weeks one died of damping off, leaving a net of 29 or 60 per cent.

"None of the seed was treated against damping off. The losses on this disease came from fourth to sixth days."

"Flat No. 1 with its treated soil definitely walked off with the honors, both in number of plants and height after one week."

How did your Pearl Harbor tomatoes compare with the above report? Keeping a record is a sure way of learning—and remembering what you've learned.

When camellias, rhododendrons and azaleas fail to bloom, the trouble usually dates back to the previous Summer and Spring, when for even a short time, the roots were allowed to become a little dry.

Henrietta C. Finnegan writes: "My husband and I recently purchased a house and have two fruit trees—apricots we believe. "In any event, we now find that the trees are literally crawling with caterpillars, and they are now all over the lot. How can we get rid of these pests. Would these caterpillars ruin the fruit if left on?"

I'm afraid they would. So you'll understand the reason, here's the explanation. Caterpillars, like beetles, do their damage by chewing. Thus the best way to kill them is by putting poison on what they chew.

You want something to do a thorough job, yet you must use a material which can be washed off, leaving no harmful residue. Lead arsenate is a good control for larvae, it's a deadly poison which must be carefully washed off anything to be eaten by humans.

Leaf Spot on rhododendrons has been causing some greenthumbers to worry. This disease is caused by a fungus. If plants are healthy, a few leaves may fail, but damage won't be serious. Keep the soil acid, and try spraying leaves with a fungicide containing copper.

Now about planting another short row of pole beans. Remember how well the Morse No. 191's did in 1945?

Lunch

Mrs. Charles Padgett, retiring president of the Lincoln School Parent Teacher Assn., held a luncheon at her home for the members of the executive board who served with her during the last year.

The group was too large to have one luncheon, so Mrs. Padgett had half of the group on Tuesday and the other half on Wednesday.

Guests on Tuesday were Mmes. D. H. Chapman, Charles Vannucci, O. S. Campbell, Joseph Franceschi, Lawrence Olness, R. W. Tull, Roy Cloud Jr., Wendell Eardley, S. Cohen, Harry Love and Mr. Charles Petersen, principal of Lincoln School.

On Wednesday the group was Mmes. William Dohrmann, R. A. Weymouth, John Tomlin, A. Gianfermo, W. H. Mattson, T. N. Thompson, Lino Niccoli, Miss Mildred Fox, Mrs. Oscar Larson who is the distric representative and Mrs. C. W. Eltringham, the newly elected president of the PTA.

The tables were decorated with spring blossoms for both luncheons and Mrs. Padgett was presented with gifts from the group.

Installation of the new officers will be held May 14.

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bullivant, Britton and Roger Sts., San Carlos, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 19.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Baer, 36 Laurel St., Redwood City, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 19.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith, 510 Eighth Ave., Atherton, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fiala, 22 Southgate, Redwood City, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wright, 226 Winslow St., Redwood City, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Sanchez, 156 Grant St., Redwood City, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Douthit, 775 17th Ave., Atherton, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Stoll, 1090 Alameda, San Carlos, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Hempel, 380 Felton Dr., Menlo Park, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 18.

Scout News

In answer to demands of many troops who submitted Camp-O-Rett registrations after Friday's deadline, the scout council yesterday extended the closing date for enrollments to Thursday of this week. The annual weekend camps will be held Saturday and Sunday, in each of the council's three districts, at the San Bruno City Park, Oak Cove Park in San Mateo and Flood Park, Atherton.

Applications for troop participation may still be obtained at Burlingame scout headquarters. There is no registration charge for the event.

Camp-O-Rett programs will begin with tallying of registrations Apr. 26 in each of the three districts. Northern district troops will meet at the San Bruno City Park, central district troops at Oak Cove Park, and southern division units at Flood Park. Each camp will have identical programs during the two-day session.

Troops enrolling in the Campo-O-Retts will be judged from the time they enter their camp grounds until they leave, and points will be awarded on the basis of their morale, camp organization and cleanliness, condition of gear, type of food and menu, health and safety provisions, extent of participation, weight and size of packs, and general deportment.

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More than 75 new and veteran adult volunteer leaders of the county's Boy Scouts have enrolled in the scout council's training session series. Tom Reynolds, chairman of the council's leadership training committee, announced today.

The series, designed primarily for instruction of new scoutmasters and troop committeemen, but open to all interested scouters, will be spread through April, May and June. First of the sessions will be held Thursday night at Burlingame scout headquarters, with subsequent courses May 1, 8 and 15. Climax of the series will be a weekend of camping at the new scout campsite near Pescadero, June 7 and 8.

Thursday night's program will cover methods of patrol organization and troop leadership and the art of knot tying. Reynolds, George White, chairman of the central division leadership training committee, and the council staff will supervise the activities.

Other subjects to be included in the series are scout tests, handicrafts, courts of honor, graduation and investiture ceremonies, troop finances, recruiting and program building.

Scouter picked to be teachers of these subjects are J. A. Aliamus, I. J. Campbell, J. V. Baker, White, George Bonald, Barney Williams, Paul C. Wessell, Jerome Gruman, Roy C. Eckert, Ian Lang, W. P. Stevens, Andrew Spinas, James S. Butler, J. V. Christie. George Cook, P. W. Kelly, A. A. Benoit, Rolla B. Watt, members of the Knights of Dunamis, Reynolds and the council staff, headed by Earl F. Schmidt Jr., field scout executive.

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TROOP 105

Completion of a course in knotty-tying marked this week's activities of Troop 105, Redwood City, Scoutmaster T. J. Seitz reported yesterday. Seitz declared his outfit is "ready to take all comers where knot-tying is concerned" during the district Camp-O-Rett scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at Flood Park, Atherton.

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TROOP 143

Johnnie Wright and Lynn Hirschen are the newest tenderfoot scouts to be welcomed into the ranks of Troop 143, Redwood City, according to a report received at scout headquarters today from Scoutmaster Martin R. De Fore.

TROOP 151

Camp-O-Rett plans were the chief discussion topic at this week's meeting of Troop 151, San Carlos, Scoutmaster C. H. Rengstorff announced yesterday, adding that his entire unit will attend the event, and to that end are reviewing their recent studies of scoutcraft to be featured during the weekend of camping.

TROOP 153

Scouts of Troop 153, San Carlos, are also preparing for the Camp-O-Rett, having practiced their camping skills during an overnight hike this weekend, led by Scoutmaster L. S. Mundell. News of the unit's activities was reported to scout headquarters yesterday by Philip Shockley, troop scribe.

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TROOP 154

Making San Carlos Scout participation in the Camp-O-Rett unanimous, Troop 154 also enrolled in the event this week, after a meeting night devoted to planning the troop's program for the expedition, Scoutmaster L. H. Gibbons disclosed yesterday.

Asks $50,990

The father of an 18-year-old San Mateo High School student killed last year when the "hot rod" in which he was riding plunged into a ravine in the Santa Cruz mountains, Monday filed suit for $50,990.

The suit was filed in superior court here by J. G. Watson of San Bruno, father of James Watson, one of the two youths killed in the crash. The other victim was Frank V. Emilio, 17, also of San Bruno.

The defendants in the case are Richard Minudri, the driver of the "hot rod," and his father, Peter, a Burlingame fur dealer.

The complaint states that Minudri bought a 1931 Ford chassis for his son, permitted the installation of a powerful engine of a later model, and knew that the car had defective brakes and steering mechanism.

The car with the three boys in it, traveling at more than 75 miles an hour, plunged through a two-inch guard rail and was catapulted into the ravine 60 feet below, the complaint states.

The accident occurred on June 19 on the Boulder Creek-Ben Lomond Rd. in Santa Cruz County.

Pair Guilty

Police Judge W. H. Thorpe Monterday placed two Redwood City men on probation for six months and fined one of them $100 after they had been found guilty of disturbing the peace Apr. 12.

The men are Alfred E. Bolton, 31, 147 Jackson St., and William F. Hatzenbehler, 20, 243 Jackson St. Bolton was the man fined.

They had been charged with following two women away from a restaurant, the judge said.

Parents' Corner

TEEN AGE CLUBS

"Every teen age boy or girl needs a 'hang out.'"

"Give the high school boys and girls a place where they can run their own club, have their own dances, and play their own games and you will be surprised how well they get along."

"Prevent delinquency in youth by developing recreation centers which they themselves can run to meet their own interests and needs."

These quotations are typical of the advice being offered by traveling experts, magazine writers, and others interested in preventing delinquency among adolescents. The gist of the feeling seems to be "give them a club room and they will take care of themselves."

Many communities have taken the advice seriously. A lot of good energy is being devoted to the clubs. Are they a good or a bad thing? Do they serve to prevent delinquency?

Our feeling is that we parents should gaze with some skepticism on any advocate of a single panacea for such an involved social ill as juvenile delinquency. Anyone who feels that one device, no matter how good, can significantly remedy juvenile delinquency is either uninformed or stupid, or both.

Also, we are skeptical of too much independence and of complete self-direction in teen-age club centers. A fifteen year old friend the other day was telling of his own dismay when he visited one such center and watched a gang of boys throwing furniture out of a second story window, while another bunch of boys and girls were making love to each other in the closet reserved for hats and coats. Here was independence and self-direction with a vengeance! Surely the solution to juvenile delinquency is not to establish centers which make it easy for children to become delinquent.

Having gotten the criticisms off our chest, we can outline what to us is a good teen age club. First, it should be a fairly small organization, serving only one community. The children in it need to know each other. They acquire a certain measure of responsibility because they are known.

Second, there should be a student directive body with power to act in the establishment of rules, regulations, policy, and the like. However, this ruling body should also include some responsible adult who is used to working with young people.

Third, financial matters should be controlled by a joint committee representing both the youngsters and responsible adult groups. Teen age clubs cost money and they take in money through their juke boxes, coke machines and sandwich counters. Loose financial management has wrecked some clubs and may have taught some student treasurers the pleasures of stealing.

Fourth, there should be a responsible, competent adult on hand at all times.

Fifth, and last, the entire project should be sponsored by responsible adult community groups.

If the conditions essential for successful operation are present, a teen age club center can be a very good thing. If any of the essential factors are missing, a teen age center can be a very bad thing for the young folk of any community.

Committee Named

Completion of the appointment of committee heads for the Fourth of July Rodeo and Celebration to be held in Redwood City July 4, 5, 6, was announced Tuesday by Francis Britschgi, president of the sponsoring Peninsula Celebration Assn.

Heading the rodeo committee is Dr. J. R. Whitman of San Carlos, acting for the Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County. Ted Hopkins of Redwood City is the recently-elected treasurer of the PCA and chairman of the financial committee. Kenneth L. Bowen heads the advertising committee.

This year's queen contest will be handled by Jack Thomas, deputy county clerk and legion post commander. Charles Mitchell and Abe Jacobs head the program committee. Lambert E. Johnson is chairman of the concessions committee, a post he has held for a number of years.

Fire Chief Joseph Lodi heads the grounds committee and Police Chief C. L. Collins is chairman of the police committee. William R. Laing, representing the Carpenters Union, is chairman of construction and maintenance. Keith Cole, head of the Retail Merchants Committee of the Redwood City Chamber of Commerce, is chairman of the special events committee, and Mark S. Barichievich of Belmont is in charge of tickets.

Alton E. Cryer is general chairman of this year's celebration. Sanford T. Ratliff has been named celebration manager and plans to establish headquarters this week in the office of the Redwood City Chamber of Commerce in the city hall.

Construction of the rodeo arena is to begin shortly at the new celebration site, on lower Broadway near the Bayshore Hwy., Ratliff announced. Seven thousand bleacher seats — twice as many as were used last year — have been contracted for and will be set up shortly before the show.

Sale of the souvenir program, to be larger in page size this year, is getting under way also by Co-Chairmen Mitchell and Jacobs of the program committee.

Commits Suicide

The death of Harvey J. Clarke, 63-year-old South San Francisco steel company executive, was listed Tuesday by the sheriff's office as suicide.

Clarke's body was found Monday afternoon about 20 feet from his car, which was parked on Skyline Blvd. one mile north of the San Bruno-Crystal Springs Rd. Clarke has been shot through the right temple with a .22-caliber rifle which lay alongside his body.

He was found by Tom Hyer and Raymond Dodd, both of San Bruno, who were horseback riding along Skyline Blvd.

The sheriff's office reported that Clarke had been suffering from diabetes and had been on leave of absence from the Western Pipe & Steel Co., where he was employed as day superintendent. He is survived by his widow. The body was taken to Nieri's Funeral Home at South San Francisco for funeral arrangements.

The Prowler

A STREET DRUNK LOOKED disapprovingly at a sober stranger standing at the curb.

"I don't like you," announced the drunk. "I don't like you at all."

"O.K.," responded the sober man, "you don't have to like me."

"I'll say I don't," retorted the drunk in the angry tone of one who has been deeply yronged. "I dont like you at all."

"Then beat it," said the sober man. "I don't care whether you like me or not; you don't have to stand here."

"That's got nothing to do with the case," said the drunk thickly. "I said I don't like you, and I don't. I wish you would go away."

"Suppose you go away," said the sober man. "I didn't invite you here."

"Got nothing to do with it at all," repeated the drunk. "I said I don't like you, and I don't. And that's all there is to it. You keep trying to change the subject."

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THERE ARE MANY CASES of opposites that are mutually intolerant. Drunks and sober people find each other objectionable. Early risers and late sleepers are also "natural enemies." The super-rich are inclined to look with disdain upon the dirt-poor and to consider that the latter's poverty plight is "all their own fault." The dirt-poor have envious dislike for the rich. The ultra-educated often are inclined to look upon illiterates as an inferior "class." The illiterates have contempt for the "longhairs."

And so it goes.

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IT IS A NOSTALGIC and humbling experience to visit the cemetery of your old home town from which you have been absent so long as to feel like an alien when there. What memories return as you read the names inscribed on the tombstones. There are names of people who once were the pillars of the town, people of importance whose lives seemed in their own day to be indispensable to all hopes of the community's survival. Here those people are now reduced to less than a memory, their names wholly meaningless to "the newer people" who have risen to those same places of eminence and seemingly indispensability in the town's life today.

There are names inscribed that bring back the graveside scenes on the days of their respective interments, the scenes including the black-clad groups of mourners weeping in the bitterness of new grief. Many of those who wept at the gravesides of others have since been wept over on the days of their commitments to the earth. Their own remains now lie in close proximity to those of their beloved who preceded them in death.

Ornate gravestones and massive mausoleums standing sentinel over the covered remains of some testify to the importance that marked the earthly rating of the deceased at the time of their departures. What a pathetic and futile bid for immortality of reputation those costly tombstones have proved, now that the very names have perished in mortal memory within much less than the life of one generation.

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IF THE PURPOSE OF a monument is to perpetuate one's name, a cemetery is a very poor place, indeed, in which to place it. When people visit cemeteries it usually is for the purpose of paying respect to a currently or recently departed friend or relative. Their thoughts are focused too intensively upon the newly departed to give place to those who died long ago.

A monument to perpetuate the name of a decedent needs to be one of the "living" type—a monument that serves a useful purpose. Statues and the like, even placed in the busiest intersections of city streets, would not do the work. Nobody pauses in the midst of his hustle and bustle in everyday life to look at a statue and pay silent tribute to the one in whose honor it was erected. The monument to be a "living" sort needs to serve some important use or uses of the people still living. And even then comparatively scant thought is given to the name of the benefactor or the person supposedly being honored. The name of the monumental institution becomes merely a name for identification purposes.

What is the idea anyhow of hoping to be personally long remembered and often thought of by those who survive you? That glory never could be possible for any but a negligible part of the mortal population. The world is always too crowded with the currently living, especially the newly born, to be able to devote much attention to those who have completed their terrestial tenancy and are now gone to their eternal abode.

RENO — DON'T LET PEOPLE fool you about this city. It isn't true that gambling machines are installed in every public spot. After diligent search I found one public place where there wasn't even a slot machine. It was the courthouse.

If your aim here was to evade gambling machines, you would have a hard time. The effort would be as futile as a hope to run away from your own shadow. The slot machines greet you at practically every turn. There is scarcely any business establishment too small to have at least its "one-armed bandit" ready to receive the small change or larger coins of patrons who have a passion for seeing their money disappear. Many restaurants and bars have their roulette tables in addition.

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IN THE BIG GAMBLING clubs the slot machines are thick as trees in a forest. In the most widely known of all the clubs the slot machines are arrayed in double tiers. The crowd of players and spectators is dense. An electrical device automatically counts the visitors who come in the doorway. The average daily attendance is over 5000. On Saturday night at 10 o'clock the recorded total is climbing rapidly toward the 8000 mark. The clubs are open and in operation 24 hours a day, which may account for the sign over a drug store lunch counter, "Breakfast Served All Day."

Each slot machine is being played as rapidly as human energy permits. The things are going "Click, click, click." Suckers are pouring in their money at frenzied speed. Women are standing there with purses open so as not to lose a second's time between plays. They are plugging in the coins as fast as possible. They yield their positions only when they have played their last nickel. Their places are quickly taken by others, because there are lineups at the machines, people impatiently waiting their turns to throw away their money too.

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AT THE ROULETTE AND other gaming tables, men and women are gathered, their faces hard and tense, awaiting the outcome of the current spin of the capricious, unpredictable and fateful marble, or the turn of the next card.

The faces of patrons as they leave a gaming table are a study. One may look grim, the player having thrown away his last dollar. Another may look as pleased as a purring cat; he has won. He thinks that he will try his luck now at a table where stakes are higher. In the generosity born of momentary luck, he hands the croupier a tip. It may be a dollar, it may be a handful of dollars. In another half hour he may be ready to pawn his watch to get stakes for endeavoring to win back enough to pay his room rent.

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THE CROUPIERS WHO preside at the gaming tables, announcing the winning numbers, paying the winners (if any) and scooping up the cash of the more numerous losers, are a well chosen and trained group. Most of them are young women, selected apparently with beauty-contest standards in mind. They are amiable, even-tempered, and, to all evidences, unfeeling. The money on the gaming table may be the surplus of a millionaire playboy, the recreational budget of a salaried person, the month's wages of a hard-working person, the family's grocery allowance, the money previously intended for buying the youngster a long-promised bicycle, or it may be the player's life savings. Whatever it is, all is scooped in with the same unconcern that would be exhibited by one sacking grain or stacking cord wood.

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A SIGN ON THE WALL says, "No One Can Win All the Time," and so it placards advice for people to risk no more than they can afford to lose.

But what participant in a gambling game ever pays attention to sane advice?

There are three stages of a player's fortunes that are considered improper times for him to quit:

When he is even, he feels that quitting then would make his whole enterprise futile. So he continues.

When he is behind, he feels he must continue to play in hopes of recouping his losses.

When he is ahead, he figures that his "winning streak" has now come, and he should play it to the utmost. So he continues until his losing streak returns. Then, he must persist until his winning streak comes back. But winning streaks have such a temperamental way of not returning when most needed.

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IN THE MURMUR OF conversation of patrons leaving the club, you hear recurrently such a statement as, "If I had only had sense enough to play that other combination, I'd have been way ahead. As it is I lost 40 bucks."

One Ambulance

San Mateo County's much-debated ambulance service should be cut down to one ambulance, and that should be located in Burlingame, a critical study by the Public Administration Service recommended Tuesday to the board of supervisors.

The report, without outright stating that the ambulance service should entirely be discontinued, cast doubt on the legality of such a service and attacked it as costing too much.

"The legality of furnishing ambulance service in a county the size of San Mateo is not clear-cut in light of the provisions of the Welfare and Institution Code," the report stated. It went on to say, however, that the legality would not be questioned in making the recommendations.

The analysis of the calls received for the county's two ambulances showed that 46.5 per cent of the calls are received during the eight hours following noon, and that the rest of the day averages less than one call.

"The small volume during these two shifts does not justify the operation of two fully-manned ambulances, as is the present practice," the report stated.

The average daily emergency calls total 3.32, but the ambulances also respond to an average of two sick calls daily.

On this basis, the present cost per call would be approximately $25.70.

"By eliminating two shifts of the second ambulance, the average cost per call approximates $19.90," the report continued.

"If sick calls and trips to the blood bank, which require only one driver in a light utility vehicle, are not imposed on the ambulance service, the manned second vehicle may be eliminated entirely, using it only on a standby basis when the other ambulance is undergoing repairs.

"In this event, the one ambulance should be stationed at Burlingame exclusively. The average cost per call for the single ambulance would approximate $16.00."

But even this last figure would be above the amount which the county, in violation of the welfare and institutions code, is charging to non-indigent patients.

Saves Driver

A Woodside woman Saturday was credited by hospital attaches for having averted a possible automobile accident, and saving the driver of the car who suffered a heart attack.

Henry Wyman, 43, 515 Oak Ave., is in Palo Alto Hospital Saturday after he suffered the heart attack on Sand Hills Rd. near Woodside late Friday afternoon.

Mrs. J. C. Marthens of Manzanita Way, Woodside, said that she saw Wyman, who works for her and her husband, in Menlo Park about 4 o'clock Friday afternoon. Shortly afterwards, while driving home, she said she noticed Wyman's car in front of her traveling at a slow rate of speed. Wyman looked ill, she declared, and she honked her horn to make him stop.

At first he paid no attention but finally she succeeded in forcing him to the side of the road, Mrs. Marthens said. He was semi-conscious and she took him to Palo Alto Hospital.

Family Dinner

About 100 persons were present at the recent family dinner held at Cherington Hall for scouts of Troop 154 and their families.

At the speaker's table, presided over by Lloyd Gibbons, scoutmaster, were Chet Wilson and J. V. Christie, scout executives, together with James Butler, scout commissioner of this section.

Emerson Bolz and C. B. Erwin of San Carlos were also among the speakers, all of whom showed various phases of scouting.

Movies were shown of the snow trip made by the San Carlos scouts to Pinecrest and a "talkie" covering the training of Boy Scouts of America.

The tables in scout colors of khaki and orange were arranged by Mrs. Emil Hadley with centerpieces of greens contributed by Mrs. Lloyd Gibbons and son, Gordon. Mothers of the troop served on the various arrangement committees.

Motorist Held

Lloyd E. Rice, 720 Hillsborough Rd., San Mateo, was arrested at 12:45 o'clock Saturday morning by San Carlos police on a charge of drunken driving.

Police said that Rice was driving north on El Camino Real and was

Peterson Pushed

County Executive Frederick Peterson Tuesday attacked the attorney general's opinion which ruled that he had no power to run the county fiesta.

"The letter is just evading the issue," Peterson snapped Tuesday in announcing that he planned to ask the district attorney's office to clarify the ruling for him.

"The letter says that the fiesta is entertainment, and not exploiting the resources of the county," he declared. "If that's so, they can't use state funds.

"The state funds are earmarked for advertising and exploiting the resources of the county, and they're not giving us money for entertainment purposes."

Peterson maintained that despite the ruling from Atty. Gen. Fred Howser's office, the fiesta control should be vested in the county executive.

He would not elaborate on a threat made previously that the matter would be settled in court.

Carpenter Fined

Samuel Wheeler, 66, Bayshore Trailer Camp, San Carlos, a carpenter, was fined $150 Saturday by Police Judge W. H. Thorpe after he had pleaded guilty to a charge of drunken driving filed by Redwood City police.

Wheeler was arrested Mar. 19 on El Camino Real. He had first pleaded innocent but later changed his plea to guilty.

Honors Trio

Mrs. Joseph Faso of Hopkins Ave. held a luncheon at her home Thursday for three honored guests. Mrs. Frank Powell, one of the honored guests, will leave soon for a stay in England and was wished a bon voyage at the luncheon.

The other honored guests were Mrs. Joe Grider and Mrs. Rachael Horne. Mrs. Grider's birthday was Thursday and Mrs. Horne's birthday was Friday.

For the luncheon which featured turkey with all the "trimmings," the table was centered with a tiny boat floating on a sea of hawthorne. There was a large cake with the names of the honored guests on it.

Attending the luncheon were Mrs. James Riechter, Mrs. Alice Robb and her daughter Carol, Miss Elizabeth Johnson and Mmes. Theresa Oback, Luella Keyser, Lena Lundin, Anna Pettula, Alma Arnath and Paul Geissler.